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Marriage--Yesterday, Today and Forever

By Ruth Gamble

(The prize winning essay this year in the A. T. Robertson Religious Essay Contest at Blue Mountain College, which will be entered in the Southern Literary Festival. The prize is offered annually by Rev. C. J. Smyly, pastor of Lowrey Memorial church, and Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, Modena Lowrey professor of Bible at Blue Mountain College.)

Our parents and grandparents might have been found shyly twisting petals from a daisy, murmuring self-consciously, "He loves me; he loves me not," or "I will; I will not." Today the same idea is expressed as young people huddle in excited groups in the City Drug, pinching soda straws and excitedly exclaiming, "Loves me; loves me not," or "January, February, March . . . June!"

Perhaps the method has changed somewhat, but the underlying reasons for petal-twisting and straw-pinching are still the same. To love or not to love—to marry or not to marry—and which one? These are the questions each must decide, and the decision, whichever it is, must be reached by answering numerous other questions . . . "Who is eligible?" "What is involved?" "How can I know what I should do?"

In hitching our wagon to a star, it is always good to choose a star that will not plummet earthward when the loaded wagon is hitched to it. Certainly in a step so important as that of marriage we should have a standard or foundation

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CHINESE WOMANHOOD TODAY

John W. Lowe

This is a timely and important statement of human needs. I recommend it for wide publication in our papers.—M. T. Rankin.

Refugees. The complete destruction of almost a score of great coastal cities and tens of thousands of villages in all parts of China has converted millions of Chinese women and children into fleeing refugees. This movement is doubtless without parallel in the world's history. The sufferings and sorrows are indescribable. May I remind you again of the words of Madam Chiang who says: "A family with six children when starting on the twelve-hundred-mile western trek, might arrive with only one or two left, and the little ones falling behind might be heard calling after their parents: 'Please, daddy, mommy, don't leave me, I won't cry any more.'" The men and boys of the homes have been violently killed, or enslaved, and the women have been raped, robbed, and ruined by Japanese soldiers.

Famous Women. The first most

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My Favorite Sermon



M. Glenn Smith, Goss, Miss.

AN ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLE IN A GROWING CHURCH

Acts 2:42

Introduction: The early church continued steadfast in prayer and it was a growing church, both numerically and spiritually. If we are to grow we must continue steadfast in prayer. Prayer is the sincere and true desire or expression of the soul.

In order to pray intelligently we must do some thinking: study people; study conditions, and become interested in them; then we can pray for them and about them.

There are three classes of prayer:

PEACE COMMITTEE APPROVES 'FRISCO CHARTER

Fifty United Nations in conference at San Francisco having voted unanimously for adoption of a charter for international security and in behalf of world cooperation in the direction of human rights and fundamental freedoms, the instrument is now before the United States Senate for ratification.

It is the conviction of the undersigned that this charter should be ratified by our Senate promptly. Leadership by our country in this historic movement from the first has been most gratifying and continued leadership by it is preeminently desirable. We earnestly hope that the United States will become the first to ratify.

While not contending that the charter is perfect, we nevertheless insist that it commends itself on the whole to the Christian conscience and warrants our firmest support. Particularly is its statement of humanitarian aims in the preamble to be approved. We note what it claims in respect to human rights and freedoms, specifying no discrimination against any on grounds of religion. Its language on this point is repeated twice more in the document—once in the enlarged powers of the general assembly and again in the purposes of the Economic and Social Council. We hail also the provision for establishing a com-

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I. Petitioning—for oneself.

We need to take inventory of our spiritual condition.

A merchant who fails to take inventory of his business occasionally will soon get to the place that he does not know how or where he stands.

There is many a person, spiritually speaking, who has gone along for months and years without taking inventory of his spiritual condition. Consequently, their spiritual lives have become cluttered up and much valuable influence and time have perished under the debris of the world.

We need to ask the question, "What do we think about ourselves?" Do we have the wrong opinion about our own condition? Many a person says, "Well, I am as good as Deacon Wallace or Sunday School Teacher Jones," etc. Our thinking about ourselves needs to undergo a reconditioning.

What do we think about others? We need to remember that the Lord Himself does not propose to pass judgment on a person until he has had his last chance. We should be careful about what we think about others.

What do we think during our moments of quietness? We need to remember the proverb, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." Is our thinking always on high plains

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Religious Freedom A European Problem

By Dr. A. Livingston Warnshuis
(Foreign Counsellor of the Church Committee on Overseas Relief and Reconstruction.)

(Editor's Note: Dr. Warnshuis has recently returned from a visit to Europe where he investigated church reconstruction needs.)

No one concerned primarily with matters of religion can visit Europe today without his thoughts being sharply focused on the problems of religious liberty.

It is a problem that merits the concern of every Christian. If the church is to have the central place in the rebuilding of Europe, then it must be a free church in which minorities as well as majorities are represented.

Under the stress of persecution, the religious groups of Europe have drawn together in a way heretofore unknown. In most of the occupied countries, the church first found its voice when it made a stand firmly and unequivocally in opposition to Hitler's Jewish policy. It said that the Church of Christ could not stand by and see

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ACHIEVEMENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD HAVE BEEN OUTSTANDING

In his illuminating address at the fifty-fourth anniversary of the Sunday School Board, June 6, Dr. E. P. Alldredge summed up its achievements as follows:

1. It has literally made over the church houses and work of more than one-half of the 25,935 Southern Baptist churches.

2. It has developed the most effective program of Sunday school work and promotion anywhere in the nation.

3. It has called out and trained more Sunday school workers and lay leaders than any similar agency in America.

4. Through the Training Union work it has enlisted the largest body of young church members in systematic training for effective church work to be found in the United States.

5. It has shown how a great democratic body, now numbering 5,637,926 persons, without any overhead management or outside constraint, can co-operate in Sunday school work, Training Union work, student work, editorial and publication work, to the glory of God.

6. It has discovered and developed some first-class denominational statesmen and business men.

7. It has built up a great publishing house now turning out 77 periodicals, with a total circulation of 23,000,000 year; and also a million books a year.

8. It has organized and built up a

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DR. M. O. PATTERSON

THE GREATEST TEACHER I EVER KNEW

By Chester Swor

"And He gave some apostles; and some prophets; and some evangelists; and some pastors and teachers." (Ephesians 4:11.)

In the after-glow of a great man's departure, there is the likelihood that emotions of the moment will evoke expressions tinged with superlatives which a more deliberate retrospect of later years would not sustain. And

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-Sparks & Splinters-

Houston: Dr. Mrank M. Powell of Tupelo did the preaching in our revival and won the hearts of our people. His messages were of the highest type and strengthened our church in a great way. Bro. Earl Edwards of Baldwin led our song services and did a masterful piece of work with our young people. We had seven to come into our church by letter and on June 24 we baptized fifteen.—D. D. Satterwhite, pastor.

In preparation for their revival which begins the last Sunday in July the members of Short Creek church, Yazoo county, came together on June 25 to paint the church and clear off the grounds and cemetery. The pastor, Rev. Benton E. Evans, and his father both participated in the work.—Mrs. Ernest Jones, reporter.

The following have been recent visitors to the office of The Baptist Record: Rev. W. L. Meadows, Quitman; Rev. A. L. Mills, Clara; P. T. Eubanks, Sumrall; Rev. V. W. Malley, Sumrall; D. C. Simmons, Jackson; Elmer Moseley, Moselle; Rev. E. M. Keebler, Moselle; Jean Williams, Jackson; Elsie Mae Talbert, Jackson; Mrs. D. O. Horne, Monticello; Dr. N. D. Timmerman, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Rev. C. C. Jones, Mendenhall; J. A. Travis, Clinton.

Our revival meeting has just closed in New Hebron Baptist Church. Rev. W. L. Holcomb of Forest preached for us. Some were received by letter and some for baptism. The pastor has labored with these good people for almost twenty-seven years and the work was never in better condition than it is now. We have four thousand dollars in the treasury for building a new church sometime in the future.—B. E. Phillips, pastor.

Our Daily Vacation Bible school was well attended and the interest was good. Mrs. Mary Grace McCollough, Miss Ina Mae Phillips, Miss Frances Shivers, Miss Bettie Ruth Riley, Mrs. Linnie Bess Wallace and Miss Irma Jewell Phillips were our workers in this Bible school and they did the work well.—B. E. Phillips, pastor.

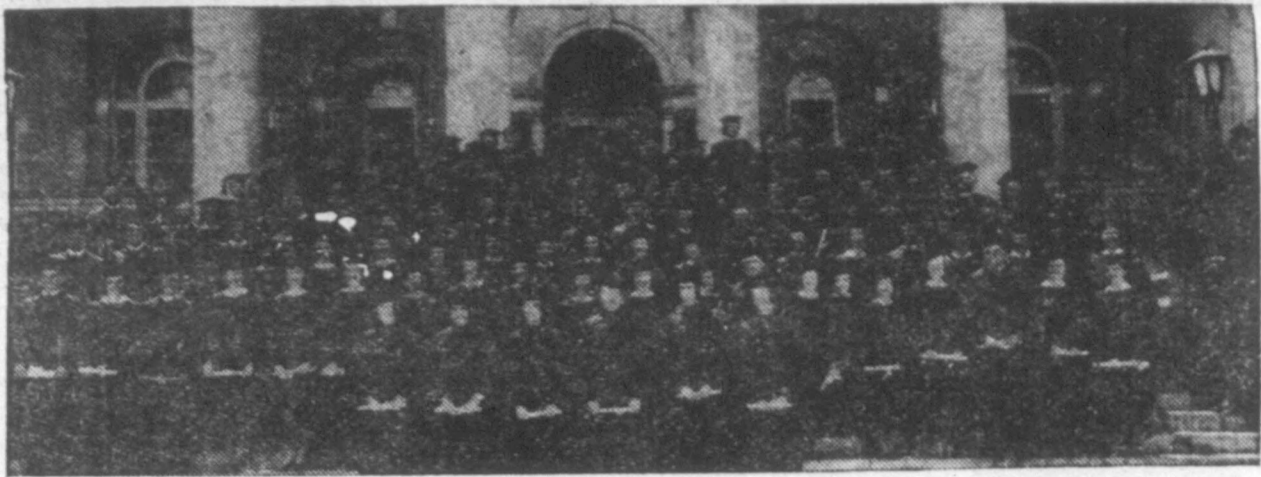
We had a good meeting at Grenada June 17-July first. The evangelist was Rev. A. B. Pierce. The music was conducted by Rev. Stanley Armstrong of Gatlinburg, Tenn. We had 55 additions to the church and a number of rededications.—G. E. Wiley, pastor.

The adage that "An apple a day will keep the doctor away" could be changed to "A gift a day will keep gloom away." At least it proved true in Waynesboro, Mississippi, during the month of June for Rev. and Mrs. E. F. Hicks. Each day during that month someone left a package on their door steps. These gifts were greatly appreciated by Rev. and Mrs. Hicks and their son, David Lynn. The gifts ranged from dressed friers to wearing apparel.

The First Baptist Church, Waynesboro, had the best Daily Vacation Bible school in the history of the church. Only local talent was used, but it seemed that no added attractions were needed as the school progressed from day to day. The attendance went as high as 96. The town was greatly blessed as a result of this school, and we have learned that with God's help anything is possible.—Reporter.

There will never be another Calvary, because there will never be a need for another Calvary.

1945 Graduates At Southwestern Seminary



The above is a picture of the May graduating class at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. This group of 163 constitutes the largest number ever to graduate at Southwestern.

They received eleven different degrees and diplomas as follows: Six doctor of theology; 44 master of theology; 18 bachelor of divinity; 18 bachelor of the-

ology; 25 diplomas in theology; 32 master of religious education; 7 bachelor of religious education; 2 master of sacred music; 1 bachelor of sacred music, and 3 diplomas in sacred music.

The graduates came from 22 different states as follows: 9, Alabama; 5, Arkansas; 2, Colorado; 4, Florida; 7, Georgia;

2, Illinois; 1, Iowa; 3, Indiana; 1, Kentucky; 5, Louisiana; 4, Mississippi; 7, Missouri; 4, New Mexico; 1, New York; 4, North Carolina; 1, Ohio; 22, Oklahoma; 6, South Carolina; 1, South Dakota; 4, Tennessee; 64, Texas, and 1, Virginia.

There are 45 candidates for graduation in July.

MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- July 16—Dr. H. T. Brookshire, Woman's College Trustee.
- July 17—Miss Nell Taylor, W. M. U. Summer Field Worker.
Mrs. W. E. Lee, Chairman W. M. U. District No. 3.
- July 18—Miss Lucy Hutchins of the Blue Mountain College Faculty.
- July 19—Rev. F. V. McFatridge, Lee County Convention Board Member.
- July 20—Dr. J. W. Lee, Trustee, Mississippi College.
- July 21—Paul Owen, Blue Mountain College Trustee.
- July 22—B. C. Owen, Woman's College Trustee.

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In "Illustrations of Bible Truth," Dr. H. A. Ironside has gathered more than 100 choice illustrations, brief, pointed, effective. Many of the stories are from his own experience as outstanding Bible teacher and soul-winner. Pastors, Sunday school teachers and evangelists will find some of these stories of invaluable aid in clarifying many Scripture truths. The price \$1 and orders should be sent to the publisher, The Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago, 10, Ill., or to the Baptist Book Store.

"Choice Illustrations and Quotable Poems" was compiled and edited by Dr. A. Bernard Webber, associate pastor, Tremont Baptist Church, Boston, Mass. Topically arranged and indexed for maximum usefulness, this volume will be helpful not only to preachers, but to Christian workers in every field. The price is \$1.25 and orders should be sent to the publisher, Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich., or to the Baptist Book Store.

The friendly folks of Carthage, all denominations included, really "pounded" the new Baptist pastor with a truck load of groceries, linens and assorted gifts. We certainly appreciate this evidence of friendliness from our own people and more so from the townspeople.—J. William Potter.

Victor, N. Y.—(RNS)—Action of the ODT in prohibiting some of the Presbyterian church's summer conferences was sharply criticized here by the Rochester presbytery.

July first was a great day in the First church, Winona. There were eight additions, seven by letter and one on profession of faith. The pastor baptized 31 at the evening hour. Sunday school attendance for June averaged 242.—C. B. Hamlet, III, pastor.

Highland, Meridian: The average attendance of our church school for the past twelve months is 329. For more than a quarter now, we have averaged more than 400 in our Sunday school. Our training Union has an average attendance of 130 for the year. One of our choicest young ladies has offered her life for foreign mission service during this year. She was graduated from our Junior College, and will enter Blue Mountain this fall. Our church will help to see her through the further schooling that she will need to fully prepare herself for this great work. We recently closed the best Vacation Bible school in the history of the church. 199 were enrolled, with an average attendance of 155. A recent religious census of the territory reveals that there are more than 400 prospects for church membership, preferring our church, above junior age. These prospects are within a mile and one-half radius of the church. On the anniversary date of our work together as pastor and people, the congregation made a love gift to the pastor exactly equivalent to one month's salary.—Edward L. Byrd, pastor.

Success is finding out what God wants you to do, and then doing it.

Rev. C. A. Alexander has resigned as pastor of the First church, Tusculumbia, Alabama, and accepted the Twelfth Street church, Gadsden. Mississippians will remember him as pastor at Eighth Avenue, Meridian, and First, Aberdeen.

Chaplain O. S. Sims, Hqs. 136 Infantry Regt. APO 33, San Francisco, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service on Morotai in the Netherlands, East Indies and in the Philippine Islands. Concerning him, Alfred Carpenter, superintendent of camp work, writes: "His reports reveal an outstanding spiritual ministry, especially in the field of evangelism. We consider him among our best chaplains." Chaplain Sims went into the chaplaincy from the pastorate at Bonita.

W. W. Moore, treasurer of Van Cleave church, recently sent a list of 16 names, thus helping The Baptist Record to continue above the 51,000 mark.

Carthage: A new attendance was established on July first when there were 144 present. The previous record was 133, and the goal of August fifth is 160. Mack Reagan is superintendent.

Evangelist Barney Walker led our revival June 10-17. His sermons were entirely scriptural and were a great blessing to our people. There were nine additions, five of whom came for baptism. Pastor W. N. Hegwood led the singing.—Mrs. E. Hegwood, reporter for Pearl City Baptist Church.

Natchez First church had quite an unusual service at eleven o'clock a. m., July 1. That was a stated time for observance of the memorial of the Lord's Supper. The week before a gentleman whose home is in Miami, Florida, in conversation with the pastor, Dr. W. A. Sullivan, made a profession of faith and requested that he be baptized at the close of the service the following Sunday morning. So after the observance of the Lord's Supper he, along with three other adults, was received for membership, and he went immediately with the pastor into the baptistry. The pastor said it was the first time he ever administered both baptism and the Lord's Supper at the same service. He remarked: "This is a glorious hour in which we see symbolized all the fundamental facts of the gospel of our salvation: the death, the burial, and the resurrection of Christ."—Reporter.

There were more than a thousand conversions and transfers of membership during a three weeks' revival in Akron, Ohio. The revival was sponsored by about 30 of the Akron churches. Evangelist Hyman Appelman was the preacher and J. Stratton Shufelt led the singing.

The VBS of West Corinth church enrolled 87 and had an average attendance of 60. Twenty-three of the children had a perfect attendance record. The offering and the handwork are being sent to the Baptist Hospital in Jackson. Rev. James A. Smith is pastor of the church.—Reporter.

Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—Three religious publishing houses are among the group of many publishers allotted increased tonnage of paper by the War Production Board's appeals board, the WPB printing and publishing division revealed here. The Catholic Review of Baltimore, Md., was given 13 additional tons; the Catholic News of New York, N. Y., was allotted eight additional tons. (Editor's note: Two Catholic papers get additional paper. The WPB denied the request of The Baptist Record for more paper.)

Death is a part of life—and the best part.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

Dr. Louie D. Newton writes that a second appeal will be made for Russian kits. A few weeks ago we gave information regarding this appeal in The Baptist Record. Mississippi gave 6,818 kits in the first effort, and a goal of 5,000 is suggested for our state this time. The date for turning in these kits is any time between July and September.

A letter from Pastor F. H. Griffin, Anchorage, Alaska, states that five persons were recently baptized, with five more awaiting baptism. Their building fund grows steadily.

We recently had a very fine visit with Chaplain C. O. White, Foster General Hospital. Chaplain White is rendering exceptional service in this capacity, and we appreciate this invitation from him very much.

We also had an enjoyable visit with Rev. C. E. Patch, who continues as part-time pastor and yet gives himself fully to Red Cross work. He has many interesting experiences.

Again, we journeyed by invitation down to Raymond for a delightful part afternoon visit with Pastor Wallace. Brother Wallace has had a long and fruitful ministry in Hinds county. He is one of our best.

THE ABSENTEE

"Someone is absent," the Shepherd said,

As over my class book He bent His head;

"For several Sundays absent, too, So tell me, teacher, what did you do?"

"I didn't call as perhaps I should, I wrote some cards but they did no good;

I've never heard and she never came, So I decided to drop her name."

He answered gravely, "A flock was mine,

A hundred--no, there were ninety and nine,

For one was lost in the dark and cold So I sought that sheep which had left

the fold.

"The path was stony and edged with thorns,

My feet were wounded and bruised and torn,

But I kept on seeking, nor counted the cost,

And oh, the joy when I found the lost!"

Thus spoke the Shepherd in tender tone.

I looked and lo, I was all alone, But God a vision had sent to me,

To show His will toward the absentee.

—Selected from Philadelphia Church Bulletin.

WHAT A DIFFERENCE!

You can scarcely know the difference until you experience it. I mean the difference between attending a worship service in person and hearing it over the radio; or, the difference between in persona and in absentia. This morning, for the first time in fourteen months, I attended in person the worship service of my church and heard my pastor in a masterful preaching. By radio—that miracle invention of our age and unmatched blessing to shut-ins as well as others, but intended by no one to displace church attendance on Sundays—I have heard from one to three sermons practically every Sunday throughout the painfully prolonged interim of my enforced absence.

What a Difference!

At my church I was greeted with friendly smiles, hearty handclaps, and words of Christian love and affection. These greetings came from people whom I love and who, as Christian friends, love me.

What a Difference!

This morning I heard the preliminary music of the organ and saw the artist at her noblest best. I saw the pastor in the pulpit, immaculately dressed, with Bible in hand and his countenance aglow with holy expectancy. I saw the choir march in, clad in uniform robes impressively white, suggesting angelic choruses and heavenly hallelujahs. I saw the beautiful organ, with its several manuals all full of mystery and myriads of pipes packed full of marvelous music. I saw the decorations, flowers lifting leafy heads heavenward. I saw the service flag of my church in somber silence proclaiming that from our ranks, on a mission of magnificent meaning, 409 lads and lassies had gone to preserve right and righteousness for their fellow men and for their God. I saw the flowers and the flag!

What a Difference!

I saw the ushers in the aisles, each bedecked with boutonnieres, busily and happily seating the people. I saw the deacons assemble at the altar. I heard the offertory prayer. I saw the plates fill rapidly with gifts of love. With a prayer of thankfulness I made my contribution along with hundreds whom I loved. I delighted to give along with those who live to give.

What a Difference!

I saw the preacher in the pulpit—symbolic of divine authority and heavenly appointment. I saw his gestures and his facial expressions, embellishing, undergirding, fortifying, and re-enforcing the message of the morning. It was a message spiritually inspired and divinely imparted—a message of hope, comfort, and love—a message of admonition, instruction, and inspiration. Exultation followed exultation! My bosom heaved with exultation. An experience of inward illumination! In spirit I was transfigured. Earth moved heavenward and heaven came earthward. Mortality had happy communion with immortality. It was a divine worship.

What a Difference!

I saw the eager worshipers come forward to ask for church membership, for fellowship with the saints. I heard their names called as they were presented. I heard the call for the vote. I voted! I heard the words of hearty welcome. I saw the happy church family go forward and welcome the new-

comers into the church, into an earthly fellowship, which is prophetic of future eternal fellowship with the heavenly hosts.

What a Difference!

No wonder the lowly Man of Galilee, the Saviour of men, the very Son of God taught His followers, and likewise teaches us, to "forsake not the assembling of yourselves together."

What a Difference!—Frank H. Leavell.

THERE IS A HELL --- WHETHER MEN BELIEVE IT OR NOT

(From Lockland Baptist Witness with their apologies to Now.)

The facts of hell are all but unbelievably awful and ought in mercy to the unsaved to be made clear. The following Scriptures were compiled to warn the unrepentant of the frightful fate of the unsaved.

HELL IS:

A lake of fire (Rev. 20:15)

A devouring fire (Isa. 33:14)

A bottomless pit (Rev. 20:1)

Everlasting burnings (Isa. 33:14)

A furnace of fire (Matt. 13:41, 42)

A place of torments (Luke 16:23)

Where they curse God (Rev. 16:11)

A place of filthiness (Rev. 22:10, 11)

Where they can never repent (Matt. 12:32)

A place where they have no rest (Rev. 14:11)

A place of everlasting punishment (Matt. 25:46)

A place of blackness of darkness forever (Jude 13)

A place where they gnaw their tongues (Rev. 16:10)

A place where their breath will be living flame (Isa. 33:11)

A place prepared for the devil and his angels (Matt. 25:41)

A lake of fire into which people are cast alive (Rev. 19:20)

A place from which the smoke of their torment ascendeth up

forever and forever (Rev. 14:11)

A place where there are murderers, liars, fearful and abominable (Rev. 21:8)

A place where they do not want their loved ones to come (Luke 16:28)

A place where there are murderers, liars, fearful and abominable (Rev. 22:8)

WHERE IS HELL?—AT THE END OF A MISSPENT LIFE!

MY PLACE

"Father, where shall I work today?"

And my love flowed warm and free.

Then He pointed me out a tiny spot

And said, "Tend that for me."

I answered quickly, "Oh, no, not there:

Why no one could ever see,

No matter how well my work was

done;

Not that little place for me!"

And the word He spoke, it was not stern;

He answered me tenderly,

"Ah, little one, search that heart of

thine:

Art thou working for them, or Me?

Nazareth was a little place,

And so was Galilee."

—Eleanor Scott Sharples.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY HELD AT MARKS

The Young People's Rally, of Riverside Association, was held with Marks church, Tuesday, June 19, with a splendid attendance.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. R. L. Dobyns, Riverside Young People's leader. Dr. Bracey Campbell, the host pastor, led in prayer.

The welcome was given by Allen Day of Marks. The response was by James Allen Lipsey, Lula.

The Clarksdale R. A.'s gave a most inspiring and interesting program, "Give Us a Chance."

A quiet meditation song was rendered by several girls.

Mrs. Margaret O'Bannon made a very inspiring talk, based on John 3:16. The talk was illustrated in a unique way with pamphlets.

Songs were sung by three Sunbeams from Clarksdale.

Mrs. Andrew Alexander, Greenville, and young people's leader for District No. 2, spoke on the subject, "Crusaders for Christ."

Three talks on stewardship were given. "Some Figures on Stewardship" was by Jimmy Miller, Crowder R. A.; "An Example of Stewardship" by Patsy Miller, Crowder G. A.; "Rewards of Stewardship" by Nancy Hariman, Crowder G. A.

Tunica was represented by Mary Sue Latham, Dorothy Ann and Caro-

lyn Tims.

Dr. F. K. Horton, Clarksdale, dismissed the morning session with prayer. Dr. Bracey Campbell, host pastor, led the way to the basement for the bountiful lunch prepared by the Marks W. M. S.

The afternoon session opened with prayer by Reverend Lloyd Shelton, Crowder.

The Lyon Sunbeams, led by Mrs. John Gore, told "How Sunbeams Grow."

"The Radiance of a Star" was beautifully told by the Junior G. A. of Clarksdale.

"Christ Cords of Love," was presented by the Marks Girls' Auxiliary.

"For Such a Time as This" was rendered by the Clarksdale Y. W. A. On the program were Mary Ethel Griffin, as Queen Esther; Martha England, as a nurse, and Nora Jane Simmons as a college girl, and Charlotte Hancock as a defense worker.

Miss Joyce Farmer sang "I Had a Little Talk with the Lord."

Mrs. N. E. Offenbiser, superintendent of Riverside, gave encouragement to the youth of our churches, and expressed appreciation to Mrs. Bobyns and her efficient workers for this day.

Reverend A. Estus Mason, pastor of Lyon, brought a soul inspiring message, "The Christian Crusader Living for Christ."—Mrs. R. E. Bright, reporter.

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WORTHY AND CHALLENGING GOALS FOR MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

1. Every Mississippi Baptist Church contributing through the Cooperative Program.
2. A summer assembly.
3. A full-time worker with the Negroes.
4. A Sunday school, a Training Union, a Woman's Missionary Union and a Brotherhood in every church.
5. A full-time Indian worker.
6. A Baptist Building in Jackson.
7. More associational missionaries.
8. Enlarged soldier work.
9. The Baptist Record in every home.

REVELL CELEBRATES 75th ANNIVERSARY

We feel certain that Mississippi Baptists will join us in congratulating Fleming H. Revell Company on its 75th anniversary as publishers. The firm's beginning has a religious background. Dwight L. Moody married Miss Emma Revell. Moody persuaded his brother-in-law, Fleming H. Revell, to take over a paper which had been founded by Moody.

Later, while Mr. Revell was in England, fire destroyed the plant. Upon his return to America, Mr. Revell reopened the publishing house in New York City.

Religion has always had a large place in the Revell business. The first book published was "Grace and Truth" by W. P. McKay. It is still listed in the Revell catalogue. And today they cater especially to religious books. Many of them are reviewed in the columns of The Baptist Record.

In 1928 Fleming H. Revell, Jr., succeeded his father as president of the company and today, a nephew of the founder, William R. Barbour, is president.

MISSISSIPPI IS MISSION TERRITORY

Rev. James B. Ray, who recently resigned as enlistment pastor for North Mississippi to become city missionary for Hattiesburg, has sent us some revealing facts concerning the mission situation in Mississippi.

He states that in his territory (Northeast Mississippi) he found "whole counties without a W. M. S.; whole counties without a B. T. U.; whole counties without a resident pastor; an association with twenty-five unchurched areas—(areas large enough to support at least a quarter time church should it be organized). It was found on one occasion that a whole association had not one religious service of any sort for one Lord's day. I found an association with eighteen Baptist churches reporting seventeen baptisms for twelve golden months. I found a whole association with a grand total of 250 enrolled in Sunday school and these Sunday schools were dead at the time I arrived. I found one association with 106 enrolled in BTU; found one association reporting \$600 in gifts and a total of \$52.05 to the Cooperative Program for a year. I found one eighteen-year-old boy stating in his dying breath that he had never heard the name of Jesus.

"These facts represent the extreme bad. Of course, there is much good to be found and many high points to be recorded.

"Below you will find a grand total of my work for 100 weeks (time out for vacations, sickness, etc.). Total congregations, 60,601; sermons, 390; other addresses, 231; for baptism in revivals, 140; by letter, 98; rededications, 3,721; promoted denominational causes, 862 times; private conferences with pastors, 1,359; personal soul winning efforts, 725; actually won, 102; probably one hundred others. Tracts distributed 37,850; tithers definitely signed up, 300—which with conservative estimation would bring in \$50,000 each year to the work of our Lord."

We are whole-heartedly for Foreign Missions and for Home Missions, but the foundation of all missions is State Missions. If the undeveloped places and unenlisted people mentioned by Missionary Ray could be lined up for God and Kingdom affairs they would be strong supporters of all Baptist causes.

In a few weeks Mississippi Baptists will be asked to make a special offering for State Missions. When they begin to consider the amount of their offering we hope they will read again concerning the needs in Mississippi.

MORE SIGNS NEEDED

As we travel over Mississippi we are depressed (not impressed) by the large number of churches that have no sign indicating the name of the church or the name of the pastor. This is true of city, country and village churches.

The church is the most important building in any community. The pastor is the most important person in a community.

Practically every secular building or business has a sign in front. Even many farms and homes now have signs. Why not be as concerned about our religious buildings as we are about our secular buildings?

Not all but many people consider the church an important part of their lives. Many strangers away from home like to attend churches in the communities where they spend Sunday. To them the church is a friend away from home. But to find a church of their denomination is often quite a job.

The cost is small, and every Mississippi church should place a sign in front. The sign should be easily read, near the front, and have the name of the church and the pastor.

Selected Editoric

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

MEANING OF DESIGNATE

The word "designate," as used here, does not apply to contributions to a special financial effort authorized and promoted by a church or the denomination to meet a specific situation, nor to an "over-and-above" gift to a particular cause. It applies to the practice of selecting one item out of the church or denominational budget and designating support to that item to the exclusion of all of the others; also, to designating a distribution of our contribution which is contrary to the officially adopted budget, even though all causes are included.

The argument back of the practice of designating seems to be that a man earns a dollar—it belongs to him—and, therefore, he has a right to do with his dollar as he pleases. But, has he? The government doesn't think so. It would be interesting to see what would happen if he designated his tax dollar to a single item in the local or national budget. Or, to use another illustration: Here is a man with five children. Does he have a right to designate that his money shall go to the support of one child to the exclusion of the other four? The law doesn't think so.

See Both Sides

Perhaps we have been looking at only one side of this matter. Let's walk around it and see what is on the other side. The question which we will then face will not be, do we have a right to designate? but do we have a right to exclude?

There are eight objects making up

MAGNOLIA BLOSSOMS

By Blue Munday

... Heavenly Fowl

Having eaten eighty-seven meals of fried chicken last summer in a series of revivals in North Mississippi, the question—Why are preachers always fed chicken?—kept turning over in my mind. This question led to an historical research conducted in proper fashion at the Baptist Bible Institute, and I hereby append the results. . . .

Tradition has it that the rooster that crowed three times at Peter's denial, met an untimely death three months later at a pastors' conference in Jerusalem. It was during the early church era when preachers began manifesting such an avowed love for chicken that the laity began calling their pastors—*Friars*. . . . Most monasteries had a special compartment just to keep friars in—according to a Dominican or Dominecker Monk named Pullet. . . .

During the dark ages, Black Market on White Chicken Meat went up to \$1.10 per pound—so said Right Rev. Pullet. . . .

When the Pilgrim Fore-Fathers came to America they landed on a rock and named it in honor of a hen—Plymouth Rock. . . . I suppose the preachers had something to do with this—probably because the rock so closely resembled a door-knob. Roger Williams, who was by no means a Hard Shell named one of these United States in honor of a vermilion-hued hen—Rhode Island. He left off the Red for fear that someone would call him a close-Communist. . . .

So we see that among Mississippi Baptist pastors of today—particularly among those who are so round, so firm, and so fully packed—chicken remains our favorite vegetable. Be you fried, smothered in gravy, or dumplinged—thou, oh! heavenly fowl, exceedeth them all.

B Seeing U

Munday.

Look in this week's issue of The Baptist Record for an article about Chester Swor, who symbolizes the spirit of BSU to Mississippi Baptists.

God called me to preach this book, not to revise it.

our Southwide Cooperative Program which is the accepted plan for financing the world-wide program of Southern Baptists. Do I, as a Southern Baptist, have a right to designate my support to one of these objects and exclude the other seven? Does not affiliation with an organization involve support of the whole program of that organization? We would say that the church member, who does not contribute anything to the support of his church, is not a loyal member. But wherein the difference, except in degree, in withholding my support from seven-eighths of that program?

Do I have a right to pick out of the whole certain causes in which I am particularly interested and withhold my support from other causes in which I am not interested, but which are as vital to the success of the whole program as are the causes to which I designate my support? We seriously question that right. If every Southern Baptist assumed such a right and exercised it, a church and denominational program would be impossible.—Southern Baptist Brotherhood Journal.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM A EUROPEAN PROBLEM

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the pagan forces of Nazism attack fellow human beings in a manner contrary to every concept of Christianity.

Defiance Issued

In France and Holland this took the form of a joint protest by the Catholic and Protestant churches. In other places, almost identical parallel statements of defiance were issued. In France it was the giving of help to the people in the internment camps, largely Jewish, which drew together the youth groups in a program of service which later developed into vigorous resistance to Hitler; helped many refugees escape to safety, and became an important factor in the French underground.

Much of Europe in the past has had state churches. Hitler misunderstood this—just as many Americans have. He thought if he controlled the state, he also controlled the church. There was not room for both the church and the Nazi party.

The family and the parish, strongholds of Christianity, must be remodeled to acknowledge "Der Fuehrer." But, said Niemoeller, "for the Christian there can be but one leader."—and that leader Himself would have come under the Nuremberg laws. So Hitler and the church reached an impasse, and the church stood firm.

"After all," Hitler reason, "why waste an institution through which people can be influenced as they can through the church?" Hitler discovered to his grief that a "state church" did not mean a state controlled church, and that when the acts of the governing power were contrary to the Christian conscience the church would not only refuse to collaborate, but would resist to the very death.

State Support Withdrawn

Hitler, of course, saw that all state "support" was withdrawn. (Usually a special tax had been collected by the state from church members, and turned over to the state church.) Strangely enough, many church leaders agree that thus being thrown completely on their own was the best thing that ever happened to the national churches! They became centers of resistance and when their pastors were imprisoned laymen came to the fore and assumed responsible spiritual leadership in a way unknown in the old regime.

I have spoken only of Europe, but the need of safeguarding the right of the minority to speak and act on its convictions exists around the world—even in our own country.

Just now the problem points up in regard to the territories coming under Russian domination. The church of Finland is bewildered and fearful. Accepting the political situation, as they must, they cannot yet see how they can try to create a new attitude toward Russia.

For decades the church has preached opposition to communism and that Finland was the last bulwark of western civilization against Russian atheism. They think the recent Soviet treatment of the Russian church is wholly opportunistic and untrustworthy. They look across to the Baltic States and see the people being classified by the Red Army on the basis of their answers to a question-

naire.

People Divided Into Six Classes

The people are being divided into six classes, determining their future status. Ration cards are distributed according to this classification. The sixth class receives no cards and is to be liquidated. Russian church leaders are put into class IV, as in Russia, but the Lutheran pastors are in class VI. In their bewilderment, the Finnish churches tend toward a Christian fatalism, religious escapism, and eschatology. They are compelled to "carry on" with trust in God.

In Hungary, according to the 1930 census, 27% of the population are Evangelicals, over 2,000,000 belonging to the Reformed Church; 65% are Roman Catholics; 3% Greek Orthodox; the other 5% were Jews for the most part with only about 20,000 unclassified. There were three Protestant theological colleges.

In the unpredictable future, is Hungary to be wholly in the Russian zone? Or, is it to be a mixed zone, with some independence but in some respects under Russian control?

Is there to be religious freedom in Hungary?

No News From Balkans

About Roumania, Bulgaria and other Balkan areas, I did not learn anything new. But if the Russian power is to be predominant there, the effect upon the freedom of the Eastern Orthodox churches must be a matter of serious concern.

I was told that 600,000 people from Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania had fled before the advancing Russian armies and were refugees in work camps in Eastern Germany. Of them, 400,000 were said to be Protestants. They will not return to Soviet territory. They are not Germans. They may have to be counted as stateless people. On the other hand, the Soviet government insists on treating them as Russian citizens. That is what the Russian legation in Stockholm says of the 45,000 refugees from these Baltic states who have fled to Sweden.

Eastern Germany is one of the sections of the country in which the Protestant churches are strongest. Any solution of the problem of Poland's western boundary that will involve the evacuation of the German population is of great concern to the Protestant church.

Russia a Concern

Russia's political imperialism is one of Europe's greatest fears. Among our church people, the concern is specially about religious freedom.

Will American Christians be concerned about this great issue? That was one of the questions most frequently asked of me. Will they express that concern, clearly, boldly?

Fortunately, if they will not postpone such expressions of interest, they need not utter mere protests that only cause irritation. For, the Soviet government has declared publicly that its intention is not to interfere in the internal affairs of these countries, but only to obtain assurance of their friendliness to Russia in all their foreign relations.

Would it not be well, therefore, if American churches should make known, loudly and repeatedly, that they rejoice in the announced Russian policy, which gives assurance of continued religious freedom in these lands, and that we are confident that these promises will be fulfilled. This confidence strengthens the relations of goodwill between our governments

THE GREATEST PREACHER I EVER KNEW

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now, removed fifteen years from the time I sat in his classes and three and one-half years since he went away, I say with a conviction that is deep and abiding, "Dr. M. O. Patterson was the greatest teacher I have ever known."

With his life committed to the hands of Christ, the young M. O. Patterson entered Mississippi College graduating therefrom in 1903. During the session following his graduation he continued in Clinton as a teacher in the preparatory department, during which time there was a culmination of his growing conviction that the gospel ministry and not law should be his life work. Subsequently he entered the Louisville Seminary and took his first degree from that institution in 1907.

Pastorate and Marriage

The young minister's first Mississippi pastorate following his graduation from seminary was in Kosciusko. He wooed and won to marriage Miss Marguerite Pettis, member of an old and distinguished South Mississippi family. For more than thirty years they walked together in a spirit of happy congeniality; and from this marriage the world has been genuinely blessed in the gift of four splendid sons and three lovely daughters.

In addition to the Kosciusko pastorate, there were other pastorates in Newton, Chunky, Seminary, Fayette, Brandon, Union Church, Jackson Second (now Calvary), Mendenhall, Morton, Monticello, Morrison's Chapel, Walnut Grove, and perhaps others of short duration. In such a succession of pastorates, Dr. Patterson achieved experience and wise understanding of the obligations of a minister to his people; this wisdom he liberally shared with a great concourse of young ministers and laymen through the many years of his teaching in Mississippi College.

Two other fine experiences of his teaching years were: a thoroughgoing tour of Palestine and the East, and periods of evangelistic meetings. In the steps of his Master up and down the Holy Land the eager-hearted, scholarly Dr. Patterson went, and his classes were the richer for this pilgrimage!

In addition to the experiences as a pastor, as an evangelist, and as a world traveler, he added further strength of scholarship by returning to Louisville to complete the rigid requirements for the Th.D. degree. Thus he was ready for the entrance upon the most significant part of his gifted ministry, the ministry of teaching.

Master Teacher

In these lines this writer simply aspires to touch upon a few of the characteristics which contributed to Dr. Patterson's superlative excellence in the class room.

First, Dr. Patterson knew the Great Teacher—and knew Him well through the exercise of personal faith and rich experience of daily companionship. Second, he knew God's Word—knew it because he had studied it with the concentration of a brilliant mind

and people.

Meanwhile, for all our sakes, let us insist that in any international organization a bill of human rights be made the cornerstone, and that positive guarantees of religious liberty be the first article in that bill of rights.

and the love of a Holy Spirit-filled-and-guided-heart. Third, he had a passionate desire to teach God's Word. With scholarship, consecration, and passion Dr. Patterson, guided by the personal presence of the Holy Spirit, became to hundreds and thousands of us—both ministers and laymen—the master teacher of them all!

Furthermore, Dr. Patterson knew not only what to teach, but also how to teach. In his teaching technique he was practically without equal. This writer has studied since in four distinguished universities, and he has yet to find in his experience a teacher or lecturer who excelled Dr. Patterson in the teaching technique, and only once or twice has he found the noted teacher's equal in the technique of class-room procedure.

Finally, Dr. Patterson knew and loved "the boys." His affection was the love of the great old prophet for the young lives about him. Though he would have died for them, he did not coddle them; though he would rejoice to strengthen the weak and help the fallen, he did not make their pathway one of ease. Because he loved them, he told them the truth regardless of how it might hurt; he kept them at their labors regardless of their length; he bade them deliver satisfactory performance regardless of the difficulty. His wonderful Irish spirit, his inimitable sense of humor, his very rare but memorable moments of tearful interpretation—these and other memories of his uniqueness in the class-room will live forever in our hearts.

Streams of Power

From that significant class-room in the Science Hall of Mississippi College have gone literally streams of spiritual power. Students have gone to seminaries and have stood among the best; they have gone into pulpits and have divided the Word of Truth magnificently; they have gone to mission stations around the world to teach and preach; they have entered college halls to teach in the likeness of the great man who touched their lives with strength; they have gone into businesses and professions innumerable to live the Word of God as they would not have done had they not sat at the feet of him whose every class period was a mountain of high

For Value Received

Dr. Patterson has gone; we cannot tell him personally that our hearts run full of profound and abiding gratitude for what he has meant to us. But there is a way in which we can prove the sincerity of our devotion to him and our joy in the memory of his peerless ministry: we can perpetuate his name, his spirit, his teaching through a tangible and permanent memorial—the endowment of the chair of Bible and Evangelism in his honor in Mississippi College. The writer is but one to whom the first proposal of the idea seemed nothing short of an inspiration. The idea is proving popular, and many have already translated their appreciation and approval into contributions to this special endowment. You, too, are cordially invited to have a part in this laudable project.

To endow a chair of Bible and evangelism would portray the love we feel for him.

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The Oil City church of Yazoo county is looking forward to its revival July 15-27 with Rev. Charles Skutt of Como doing the preaching.—Earl George, pastor.

MARRIAGE—YESTERDAY TODAY AND FOREVER

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on which to build that will remain constant in spite of circumstances, customs, or changing times. Upon what should we build our conception of ideal married life?

Any intelligent individual who desires information on some specialized subject would go to an authority in that field. Is it illogical then that one thinking seriously about marriage should consider the standard set forth by Him who created man and instituted marriage? But one may ask, "Is the ideal set forth in the New Testament practical for us now? Will it fit into the accelerated tempo of war living?"

To answer these questions intelligently, we should establish in our minds a clear definition of this New Testament conception of marriage. In general, the passages relating to marriage can be divided into four groups—the parties engaged; the extent of faithfulness (and divorce); the non-Christian and mixed marriages; and the relationship of the couple.

It has been true from the beginning of the spread and development of Christianity that whenever the gospel has come and has been accepted, it has restored or preserved certain precious principles which are forgotten in an age of luxury or moral laxity. With its coming, men's ideas concerning the marriage relation and the duties and responsibilities of married life are changed.

Of the four divisions into which the New Testament references fall, two are presented positively and two negatively. A primary factor in any ideal or successful marriage is the selection of the partner. In Luke 1:5, 6 we find the qualifications of Zacharias and Elizabeth. Both were righteous, walked according to the commandments and ordinances of the Lord, blameless. God promised them joy and gladness, and great rejoicing at the birth of their son. Today some will laugh at the "prudish" and "straight-laced" couple, preferring rather to "make 'hey' while the sun shines," but never thinking that the continual burning of the sun may leave their "hey" in ashes. In Matthew 1:18-22 we are given another example, Joseph, a just and considerate man. Finally in I Peter 3:1-6 the wives are admonished to be: obedient to their husbands, of chaste behavior, and adorned with the inner meek and quiet spirit rather than "outward adorning." The husband's obligation is again stated as "giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life."

True, in our day the popular idea of marriage is influence by the abnormal times. Women are being forced to assume undue responsibilities and consequently, new independence. "There is a desperate urge to live life to its fullest while there is time, to grab happiness now." Tradition is replaced by new codes of conduct; intimacies and terms of endearment incur little, if any, sense of obligation. If outward adorning is the means of attaining happiness, make the best of it—so some will tell us now.

The relationship of the couple constitutes the second group in this New Testament theme. (Ephesians 5:22-33.) It is one of love, even as Christ's love for the church. What woman would fear to commit herself to one who would give himself for her? The unit is perfected by the love whereby each loves the other as his own flesh. The New Testament puts great emphasis and importance on this mutual relationship of the individual in marriage.

During the last war, the motto was "love conquers all; if you're in love, that settles everything." Now we find that companionship and compatibility are the paramount factors in choosing a partner, with love regarded as the product of living together in happiness!

MY FAVORITE SERMON

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or do we slump into low, dirty, unwholesome lines of thought?

What do we do? In many instances our actions speak louder than words. We may claim to be a Christian and we may take part in church work, but if we are not careful we will fail to prove our Christianity by our daily acts. There are many people who watch the lives of professed Christians. We must be careful about what we do if we would influence them for Christ.

Now after having taken inventory of ourselves we are prepared to talk intelligently to God about our condition. Many people plunge into a day—or into a life—in a rush without talking with God and securing directions to follow. A soldier would not dare plunge into battle without some consultation with the commanding officer. Even so should we contact God to get directions for our day's work, or for our life's journey. We need to talk to God about ourselves, petitioning Him for His leadership.

II. Intercession—for others.

We need to study the condition of our nation, and our own community. We see scores of men stalking about with lustful eyes and covetous minds, with no spiritual interest whatever. A great number of women are also lacking in spiritual interest. That is, we suppose they are women, they paint their faces—otherwise you could scarcely tell them from men. They wear the same clothes of men; use the same language; smoke the same filthy weed, and drink the same liquor. (I am not saying that men are entitled to smoke, drink, etc.)

Many women that give birth to children never spend but very few hours with them. A great number of children are forsaken by the mother and father on the ground that they must be patriotic. If it be patriotism the dictionary needs to be rewritten.

As a result of this type of men and women, we have a generation of worldly-minded young people growing up in our midst. We need to see these things and become alarmed and disturbed about them and burdened for them. Then we can really talk to God about them. I challenge any person that is a Christian to study the conditions of the community and nation of which we are a part for five minutes a day for a month. See if it does not have a disturbing effect; if not, it seems to me that there is room for doubt in regard to his own salvation.

Then comes the third class of prayer:

III. Worshipping God.

We should adore God. We can look

The extent of faithfulness and divorce, and the examples of non-Christian and mixed marriages may be considered the negative side of the New Testament views concerning marriage. Christ says plainly that bills for divorce were granted "because of the hardness of their hearts" but makes no compromise when He says that "it was not so planned from the beginning." One needs only to read the papers and observe everyday happenings to see the "popular" idea in this respect. Some authorities predict a forty percent increase in divorces at the cessation of the present turmoil.

To those who question the practicability of the New Testament ideal, built on the rock foundation, and prefer the "popular" idea of a marriage built on the sands of uncertainty, economic insecurity, and "fast living," we say, "Take the long look!"

CHINESE WOMANHOOD TODAY

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distinguished woman among the Chinese was Fu-hsi, who discovered silk some two thousand years before Christ. The mothers of Confucius, Mencius, and Sun Yat-sen, Herman Liu, and other Chinese notables imparted to their noble sons the character and training essential for great leaders.

Women Soldiers. Sixty-four young women have been in training camps for four months. These prospective soldiers are volunteers. They have come from colleges and high schools in all parts of China to take military training, and expect to be graduated soon. They were asking to be permitted to go to India for further training.

Doctors. China now has an army of 20,000 women doctors and tens of thousands of nurses. Thousands of these are serving in the Chinese army.

Reporters. From the earliest times Chinese women and girls have remained in seclusion. For centuries the girls have been subjected to the cruel custom of foot-binding, and the excruciating pain of walking on their bound feet. As women, they have been wives, mothers, slaves, cooks, farmers, and have performed menial tasks about the house. Now, by contrast, behold ten well-equipped young women working on thirteen daily newspapers in Chungking.

Christians. Many of the best and most favorably known women in China today are outstanding Christians—among the notables are Madam Chiang and her sister, the wife of Sun Yat-sen, and also Mrs. Herman Liu who has established homes for women, schools for refugee children, and the Herman Liu Memorial Orphanage, which now cares for 200 children. For the support of these orphans Mrs. Liu needs \$2,400 monthly. Dr. Herman Liu, former president of the Shanghai University, was one of the first men to be assassinated at the instigation of the Japanese command.

Missionaries. Three of the native missionaries sent out by the Baptist Frontier Missions Movement are women. Dr. and Mrs. Shu have located in Kansu province in the far northwest. The two single women, who are also from Shantung province, were working among the Miaos in Yunnan province. The work among these needy people began years ago when a missionary came upon a man in a temple, kowtowing to the idols, praying for their help to find Jesus Christ! Missionaries were sent to them and the work has prospered, until there are now said to be 100,000 Christians among the Miaos.

Relief Work.

Miss Lottie Moon was about us and see evidence of God on every hand. We should admire God for all His wisdom and power; we cannot admire God too much. We may overdo the matter of admiring ourselves or some other earthly being, but not God.

We should continually thank God for all that He has done for us.

Then we should praise Him. If we are always praising Him wherever we go it won't be long before our friends will begin to want to know Him. That should be our desire—to introduce others to Him.

Conclusion:

If our churches are to be growing churches, we must pray.

PEACE COMMITTEE APPROVES FRISCO CHARTER

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mission on human rights, which may develop a bill of rights that may express a more definitive statement on matters, such as religious liberty.

There are other particulars which deserve our grateful consideration. For example, we mention the International Court and Trusteeship Council, and the arrangements concerning non-self-governing peoples. We observe with approval also the provisions for amendment and improvement, once the document has become the working basis of a new world order. This will mean that any weakness or defect revealed in the application of the charter can be discussed freely by all peoples.

For the present, we should maintain the spirit of patience in respect to tensions between the nations, especially the great powers, or between these and the smaller nations. It must be recognized that the surest guarantee of success will be the people's will to peace, without which all political machinery, economic measures and even military force must fail. Toward this great end we must seek to develop a fuller, better international morality. That morality can only rest on the principles and spirit of Jesus Christ. The duty of our churches to spread His principles and spirit around the entire world is vastly magnified and intensified by this aspiring effort at world cooperation. Christian believers in all countries, forming a planet-engirding fellowship, can lend the mightiest possible influence toward the creation of a morality which will sustain a cooperative world order.

We urge that every Baptist throughout the Southland, who feels as we do about this, will speak up for our country's ratification. Let him communicate his conviction immediately to his senator. We who are ministers can set forth the notable call in terms of applied Christianity. All can pray that the God of Nations will lead the peoples of the earth to avoidance of another war and into the paths of peace. All can constantly teach the necessity of moral law as the expressed will of God and diligently work for God's rule to come to the whole earth.

Southern Baptist Committee on World Peace—J. M. Dawson, chairman; Merrill D. Moore, F. Clyde Helms, Ellis A. Fuller, Duke K. McCall, L. L. Carpenter, Theodore F. Adams, Ryland Knight, N. D. Timmerman and Paul Caudill.

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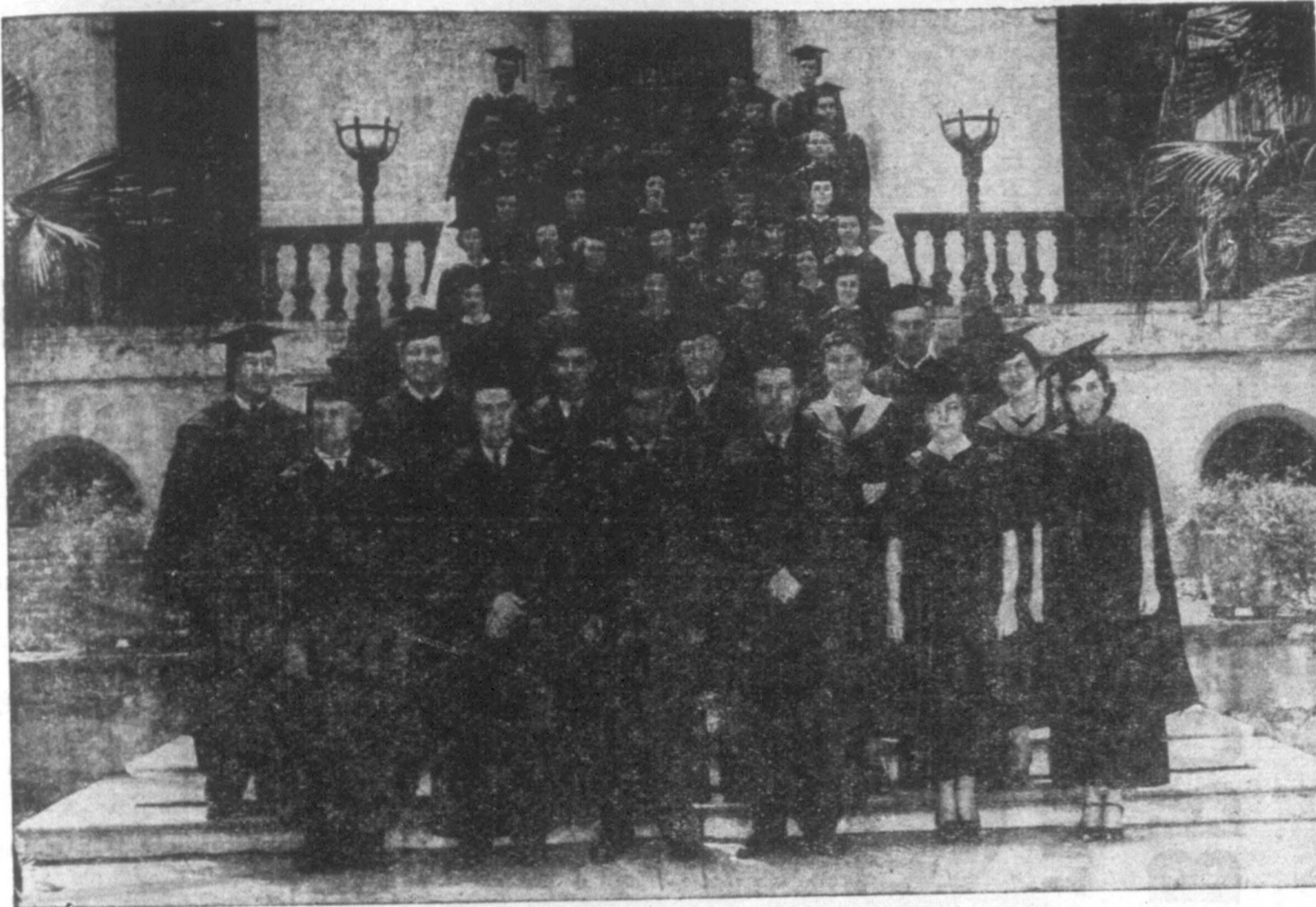
The time for the meeting of the Grenada County Baptist Association has been changed from Thursday, September 6 to Tuesday, September 4. The place is Hardy Baptist Church. —G. E. Wiley.

always a good friend to the beggars and the refugees. Her unselfish ministry embraced all the needs of all the people. Miss Attie Bostick did likewise in her field in and around Bochow. The sad plight of hundreds of millions of men, women, and little children, in this tragic hour, is a challenge to pastors and churches, Sunday school superintendents and teachers, W. M. U. societies, and all Brotherhoods to do what Jesus told us us to do when people are sick, hungry, and thirsty. Our neglect is our shame, and our sin.

In January, our gifts to relief were \$45,000, in April, \$15,000. Will pastors and Sunday school superintendents and W. M. S. leaders remind our people of the present crisis until adequate response is forthcoming?

Please write to the Foreign Mission Board for relief folders sufficient to provide one for each leader in your church and Sunday school.

B. B. I. FACULTY AND GRADUATES OF THE CLASS OF 1945



Pictured above are the members of the faculty and graduating class of 1945. They are (first row, left to right): Prof. J. W. Shepard, New Testament and Greek; Prof. A. E. Tibbs, Religious Education and Social Ethics; Prof. C. Penrose St. Amant, Church History; President Duke K. McCall, Evangelism; Miss Ruby Daniel, W. M. U. Methods; Miss Helen Wilson, Registrar and Introductory Greek; (second row): Prof. J. Wash Watts, Old Testament and Hebrew; Fred C. Schatz, assistant to President; Prof. Frank Stagg, New Testament and Greek; Prof. P. H. Anderson, Homiletics and Missions; Mrs. Walter J. Clark, Piano and Pipe Organ; Prof. Plunkett Martin, Sacred Music; Miss Charlotte Reed, Music.

(The degrees are: Doctor of Theology; Master of Theology, Master of Religious Education, Bachelor of Divinity, Bachelor of Theology, Bachelor of Religious Education, Diploma in Christian Training.)

The graduates and their degrees are (first row, left to right): Mrs. Harold Anderson, W. Va., Dip. in C. T.; Ruth Armstrong, Ill., Dip. in C. T.; Margaret Enslin, Miss., Dip. in C. T.; Ann Broyles, N. M., Dip. in C. T.; Mrs. E. C. Sheehan, Ga., Dip. in C. T.; Mrs. Paul Bruce, Tenn., Dip. in C. T.; Mrs. T. S. Messer, Miss., M. R. E.; Mary Lou Menscer, N. C., Dip. in C. T.; Mrs. Quinn Morgan, S. C., M. R. E.; Rebecca Eddinger, N. C., M. R. E.; Annie Jones, La., M. R. E.; Bernice Posey, Miss., B. R. E.; Bernice Popper, Miss., B. R. E.; Frances Berry, Miss., M. R. E.; Clarice Conner, Miss., Dip. in C. T.; Bertie Lee Kendrick, N. C., M. R. E. third row): Mrs. Ralph West, S. C., M. R. E.; Mrs. Alpha McDill, Miss., M. R. E.; Blanche Rutherford, Va., Dip. in C. T.; Theresa Redford, Va., Dip. in C. T.; Carree Speares, S. C., B. R. E.; (fourth row): Aaron Foy, La., Th.M.; A. A. Ward, Miss., B. D.; Harry P. Dalton, Miss., Th.M.; J. Luer Johnson, Ala., Th.M.; Bill Kirkland, Ga., Th.M.; (fifth row): Marvin W. Brown, La., Dip. in C. T.; J. D. Watt, N. C., Dip. in C. T.; Karl Seepe, Ala., Dip. in C. T.; Joe Clapp, Jr., Tenn., B. D.; Joe G. Harbour, La., Th.M.; O. T. Bolton, La., Dip. in C. T.; (sixth row): H. B. Todd, Miss., B. D.; Dan Morton, La., Th.M.; Alfonso Olmedo, Argentina, Th.B.; Riley Munday, Miss., M. R. E.; E. C. Sheehan, Ga., Th.M.; Earl Cooper, Miss., Th.M.

Other graduates who do not appear in the picture are: L. P. Petty, Miss., B. D.; E. R. Pinson, Miss., Th.D.; Wayne Deitz, N. C., Dip. in C. T.; J. B. Kincanon, Va., Th.D.; George Moseley, Miss., B. R. E.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD HAVE BEEN OUTSTANDING

(Continued from Page One)

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PROTESTANT CLERICS REFUSE TO PAY TAX

Some Say They Won't Till Priests Do So

Hamilton, Ont.—(RNS)—Refusal of some Protestant clergymen to make out income tax returns or to pay taxes until it can be shown that Roman Catholic priests in their communities do the same was reported here by the Hamilton Presbytery of the United Church of Canada.

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West Laurel Has VPS

A commencement with picnic, food, fun and fellowship brought to a close the VBS of West Laurel church on June 20. Many people said this school was one of the best ever.

The enrollment was 223 and the average attendance 148. The hours from 5 to 8 each evening for the meeting proved a very satisfactory arrangement. There were seven or eight professions of faith during the school and we feel that others will be forthcoming as a direct result of the school.

The following workers served through the eight days of the school: Mrs. H. J. Rushing, principal. Miss Mary Lou Hulsey, secretary. Mrs. Bernice Matthews, pianist. N. C. Watson, chorister. Intermediate superintendent—Mrs. Oscar Hughes.

Junior superintendents—Mrs. W. O. Hedgepeth and Mrs. Horace Headrick. Primary superintendent—Mrs. Lucy Griffin.

Beginners superintendent—Mrs. Bernell Warren.

Cradle Roll superintendent—Mrs. Shelly Bates.

The offering was for the Cooperative Program and amounted to \$27.91. —Mrs. H. J. Rushing, principal.

Chester Swor—Mississippi Baptists Ambassador Of Good Will

By Riley Munday, Secretary B. S. U. Department

In BSU terminology, First Magnitude means TOPS. . . Chester—for he will have you call him nothing else—is Mississippi's Star of the first magnitude.

Born and reared in Harrison county he received his A. B. degree at Mississippi College; M. A. degree, North Carolina University, and recently awarded the Doctor's Degree of Humanistic Letters at Baylor University—those are a few of his scholastic attainments.

If you can imagine a consecrated character, an alert mind that works with the precision of a fine watch, a modest disposition, a ton of explosive nervous energy, a flow of grammar that will constantly tickle you where you are goosey—all dwelling in the same frail house of a body—that's Chester. . .

Chester's ten talents, and that is a conservative estimate, have been polished by constant use. His teaching career, his lecturing tours and his academic pursuits have taken him up and down in the earth. He says,

"Though I have spent much of the time outside of Mississippi, I have never had an official residence elsewhere." He will let you call him Dr. Swor just ONCE and then, after that—just Chester.

The crowning honor of a star-studded career will not come to Chester until the job that God has called him to do here is finished. Only in the final reckoning, when thousands of Baptist young people will stand in that day before God and say, "Chester SHOWED me how to live the more abundant life in Christ"—only then will we know the full fruits of his labors. . .



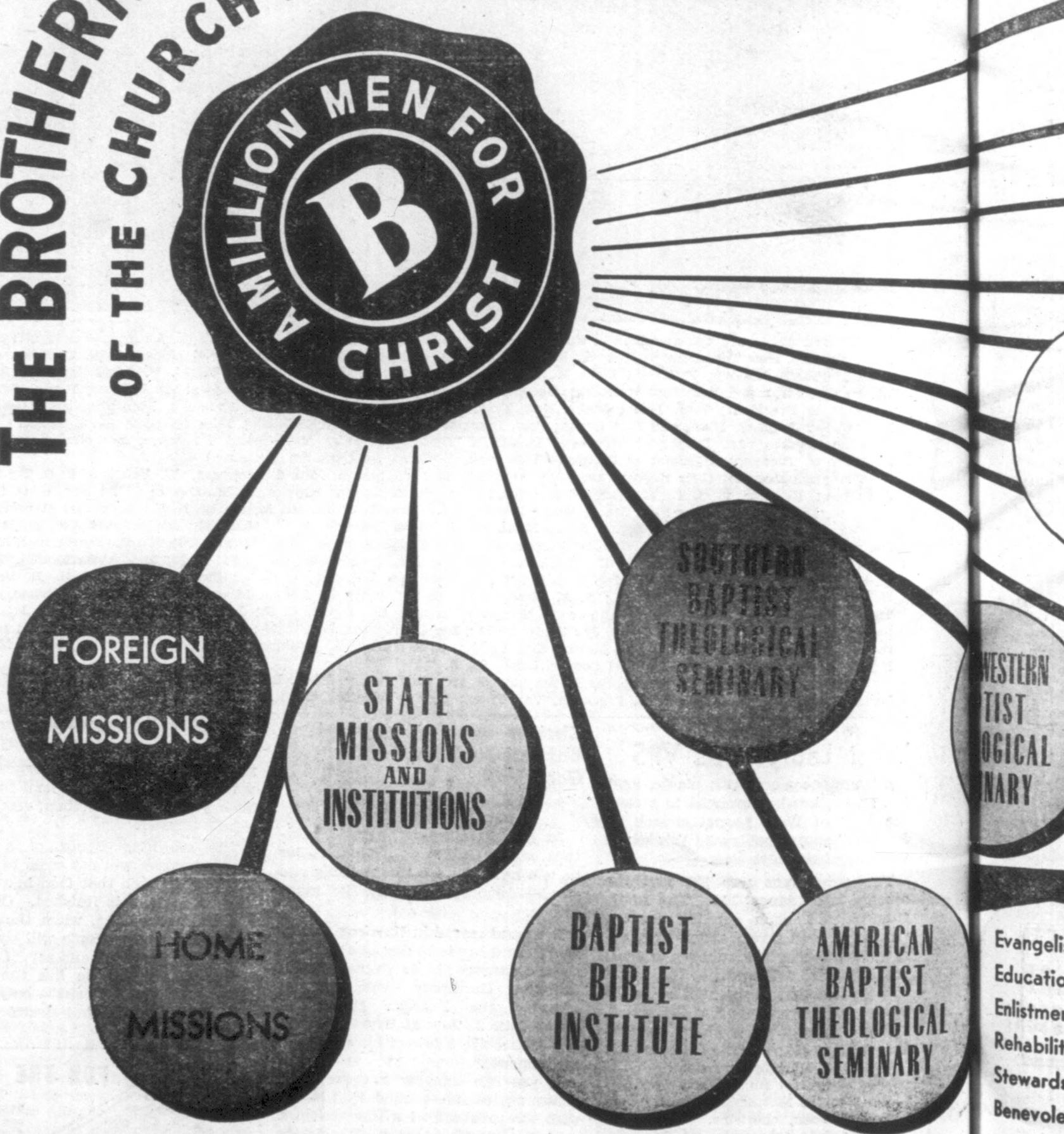
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June Standards

We are only too glad to give below the units of Sunday school work that became standard during the month of June, as follows:

Schools: Pine Grove (Pearl River county), Rev. E. Y. Soileau, pastor; Jesse W. Megehee, superintendent; Pachuta, Rev. Ralph West, pastor, E. G. Palmer, superintendent.

Departments: Cradle Roll, Goss, Mrs. Emmett Williamson, superintendent; Intermediate, Holly Springs, Mrs. W. C. Sandusky, superintendent; Starkville First, Intermediate, Billie Nowlin, superintendent.

Classes: Conquerors, Intermediate, Holly Springs, Mrs. Elliott Boone, teacher; Eagles, Intermediate, Holly Springs, Dr. W. C. Sandusky; True Blue Girls, Intermediate, Jackson First, Mrs. W. F. Bond; Good Friends, Intermediate, Louisville, J. D. Webb; Bonoth, Intermediate, Biloxi First, Mrs. David C. Danford; 4th Year Girls, Intermediate, Starkville First, Mrs. C. A. Lawson; 2nd Year Boys, Intermediate, Starkville First, E. M. Weddle; Gamma Zeta, Young People, Clinton, Mrs. D. A. McCall.

We are so grateful for all those who have led so ably this year in leading their units of work to attain standard rating, and many are maintaining this consistently each quarter.

The Last Quarter

We are now in the last quarter of this Sunday school year. It hardly seems possible because it seems only as a very few days since we began this year the first of last October. Yet, it is very true that we are now on the last lap of the journey so far as this Sunday school year is concerned.

So, what we intend to do this year that we have not already done must be done soon. Time is fast getting by, and it will be only a very short time now until we will be at the end of the year's work.

In thinking of the rapidly moving year, we are also reminded of the fact that we now have less than two months for Vacation Bible schools. In fact, it is only about one month, since day schools begin in many places in August. The fact is some schools begin in July.

Therefore, if you plan to have a Vacation Bible school this year, and have not had it already, you had better get busy or the time will be gone. We can have study courses, enlargement campaigns, etc., any time, but the Vacation school must be held in the vacation time, and that won't be long now. There's yet plenty of time for it, but not too much.

Send In the Reports

Many Vacation schools are sending in their reports very promptly. We do appreciate this so much. The best time to send in the report is just as the school closes when all the facts and figures are fresh in mind. Do not delay for that causes a delay everywhere.

If you need blanks for making reports, let us know and we shall gladly send you some. Make the report as full as possible. Put down all the items about your school that are called for on the report blank. All this information helps greatly in

gathering statistics about these schools in the part of improving them each year. Tell us all you know—and then some.

Growth

The greatest thing in the world is life. Jesus said that He came that people might have life and have it more abundantly. The abundant life is a growing life. That is also true of a church, or any of its parts.

We are constantly encouraged because of the growth in so many places. One of these is the increase in Sunday school enrollment and attendance. So many schools have had a most encouraging growth this year in spite of the disadvantages caused by the war. Sometimes the difficulties are the things that really show what we are.

One of the many places we have heard of recently that is experiencing a most encouraging growth is Fayette, where Rev. E. R. Anderson is pastor. That school has grown from an average attendance of around 25 to 90, with a new all-time record attendance recently of 179. That surely is great and is another evidence of the fact that Sunday schools can be made to grow. As long as there are the unreached, every Sunday school should grow.

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Mississippi College Paragraphs

By D. M. Nelson, President

The summer term of the college opened July 2. This is an eight-week term, ending August 25. August 27 another eight-week term will begin, ending October 20. Some of the subjects begun July 2 will run without interruption through the entire 16-week term. If the naval unit is withdrawn October 20, which is anticipated, a nine-week term will begin October 25 and end just before the Christmas holidays. After the holidays another nine-week term will begin and continue in regular fashion under what we hope will be normal conditions.

We had the pleasure of speaking to splendid congregations at Canton last Sunday morning and evening. Pastor Holland was at New Albany in a meeting. We spoke on Mississippi College in the morning. The people listened intently and showed much interest. This great old church, through a century of service, has doubtless had more Mississippi College men as pastor than any other church in Mississippi. Within my recollection there have been Brethren Cooper, Robinson, Mayfield, Campbell, and now Holland. Some of our choicest students through the years have come from this church. Several of its members have already made contributions to the Enlargement Program; others will. In the church bulletin was found this appreciated reference to our coming and to our college: "We welcome today Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of Mississippi College, to our church. Dr. Nelson has served efficiently as president of the college for the past thirteen years. He has made an enviable record in one of the most critical periods of institutional life. Today the college stands as the oldest college in the state and with a record of service equaled by few and excellent by none. The college is launching out on a large program of service. Our people will support it as its ministries are multiplied. Several generous gifts have been received this year, designated for the institution. We urge our people to share fully in this phase of our Christian work." Pastor and Mrs. Holland have a warm place in the hearts of their people. They have plans for expanding their facilities and building a new home for the pastor.

We had the following interesting

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The Demand for admission for the 1945-1946 session by young women is so great that more than one hundred choice girls must be turned away due to lack of dormitory space.

A gift of such a dormitory could be a memorial to an individual or a family. Within the building rooms, halls, and wings could be memorials to individuals.

Consider this possibility when making income tax returns this fall.

Lawrence T. Lowrey, President
Blue Mountain College

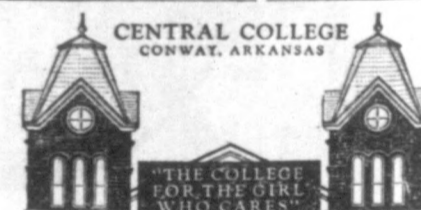
letters from two of our service men:
"Dear Dr. Nelson: From the Alumni Bulletin and through other means I have heard of the Mississippi College Enlargement Program. Being in hearty accord with such a program, I am sending along a contribution which I hope you will accept." (Signed): "Bowen Morris."

Bowen is the eldest son of the late Rev. S. P. Morris (B.A., 1903, and M.A., 1912) and the now Mrs. P. I. Lipsey. Bowen had spent a great part of his life in Clinton, being graduated from the Clinton high school and from Mississippi College in the class of 1931. He is a lieutenant in the U. S. Naval Reserve and is serving his country in the Pacific area, where he has been in several major engagements.

"Dear Dr. Nelson: In the drive the college is putting on, I want to have a small part. Please divide the enclosed contribution between the endowments for the Chair of Greek and the Chair of Bible. I hope Mississippi College graduates everywhere will respond to the call and I am sure many of them will." (Signed) "John F. Latimer."

John is also a Clinton boy. He was born and reared here. He is the son of Dr. M. Latimer (B.A. and B.S., 1897; and M.A., 1898), honor graduate of Mississippi College and for more than forty years professor of Greek. John is also the grandson of Dr. W. S. Webb, one of the really great presidents of Mississippi College. He was graduated from Mississippi College in 1922; received his M. A. degree from the University of Chicago in 1926; and his Ph.D. degree from Yale University in 1929. He has taught the classics in several of our best colleges and universities. He is lieutenant commander on a ship at present and has seen service in both theaters of operation.

If these two boys, along with many others like them, while in positions of danger serving their country and the cause for which she stands, can remember their college so generously, how much more should we who are far removed from places of peril and suffering little privation!



Christian Junior College
Edwin S. Preston
President
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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Hight C. Moore

GOD'S PURPOSE FOR ABRAHAM Genesis 11:26 to 12:20

After seventy years at Ur, then at the head of the Persian Gulf, and five years in Haran, which was five hundred miles northwest up the Euphrates valley, Abraham received the divine call to leave his country and kindred. Immediately he journeyed in a southwesternly direction some three hundred miles to central Palestine, where he first located about the middle of the twentieth century before Christ.

Notes Analytical and Expository

1. The divine call came to Abram. In his native city of Ur and at Haran the moon-god was the local deity. Abram may not have been an idolater but member of a pious family that had kept the true faith in the midst of pagan beliefs. At Ur he received his call which in the current of Mesopotamian emigration to the shores of the Mediterranean carried him and his father with others to Haran where, after Terah's death in 205, it was renewed. It was a revelation from God which Abram could not doubt. It embodied a command and a promise. The command was twofold—first negative and then positive: deny and do; sacrifice and serve forsake and follow. That is, on one hand he must give up country, kindred, household, business, friends, and future prospects; and on the other hand, he must be led blindfolded by the divine Hand to his future home. The promise involved fourfold blessing: blessing for Abram in posterity, in person, and in popularity; blessing by Abram to his family, friends and fellow men; blessing around Abram to those who joined him in human uplift and world betterment; and blessing through Abram especially as progenitor of the Messiah, our Saviour and Lord.

2. The designated country was found to be Canaan. At first it lay below the patriarch's horizon. Abram did his duty without knowing his destination. He risked, or rather rested, everything on faith in his call: himself, his wife, his nephew, his servants, his entire substance, his whole future. As he proceeded he followed directly the road to Canaan, and here finally he encamped in an oak grove near Shechem in the heart of the country. And now the Lord appeared to him declaring that this was the Land of Promise which, though he was childless now at seventy-five, his descendants should occupy as the most beneficent people on earth. Promptly the patriarch consecrated the country with his altar, establishing the worship of the Lord at a focal point where its influence should go out to all the world and down to all the ages.

3. The directed course lay southward through the full length of the chosen land for the chosen people. Abram's second stop was on the mountain between Bethel and Ai where the sacrificial altar was again erected and divine worship renewed. From the mountain the patriarch proceeded after a time to the grassy wilds in southern Palestine where he remained until driven by famine to the valley of the Nile.

The Lesson of the Lesson Heed the Call of God

(1) The call to hear. "The Lord had said unto Abram." The voice of God is audible. He speaks to each of us. He has a word that means everything to us. "He that hath ears to hear, let him hear!"

(2) The call to forsake. "Get thee out." Be sure that God calls; then give up family, friends, position, prospects, native land—all. When God says go, let no man stay. "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it."

(3) The call to follow. "Unto a land that I will shew thee." Of course we cannot comprehend the whole of the divine purpose concerning us. We must trust and obey. God will unveil His plans when it is best for us. We are safe only when we follow where He leads.

(4) The call to growth. "I will make of thee a great nation, . . . and make thy name great." No man can be great without God. And God alone can make a great man greater. He took Abram and made a mighty people. Character has infinite value and immortal vitality.

(5) The call to goodness. "Thou shalt be a blessing: . . . and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed." Comfort the sorrowing. Lift up the fallen. Help the needy. Inspire the worker. Cultivate and cherish all good. Live the life of love. Make the world brighter and better.

(6) The call to worship. "There he builded an altar unto the Lord, and called upon the name of the Lord." The altar goes with the tent. The sanctuary is necessary to the best stewardship. The church contributes to civilization. To do God's work we

must bow in God's worship.

(7) The call to persevere. "Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south." When the divine signal is given, we ought to be ready for the march. Once, twice, thrice Abram stopped in his journey through Canaan. So we should persevere from one stop to another on our journey to the better land.

—BR—

Second Avenue church, Laurel, Dr. B. B. Hilbun, pastor, has been redecorated, thus adding to the beauty of the place of worship, pending the erection of a new building.

July first, Rev. Leon Macon celebrated his first anniversary as pastor of the First church, West Point. During the past year the Sunday school attendance increased 14%, the BTU 17% and the finances 31%. There have been 104 additions, 27 by baptism.

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Twenty-five million lost souls

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To meet the needs 128 additional missionaries should be placed on the Mexican field, 225 mission buildings should be erected in communities where there are no churches, and thirty-six existing mission properties should be improved.

Our mission work among the Negroes ought to be doubled and trebled. Last year we reached over 10,000 Negro preachers in institutes and on college campuses. Here is one of our great opportunities.

Again, thousands of Indians are as pagan today as when our fathers settled this country. Thirty-four new missionaries are needed at once among the Indians. Thirty-four mission buildings

ought to be erected. Eight buildings need improving.

In Cuba thirty-two mission churches are worshipping in homes or rented quarters. Permanent buildings are sorely needed by these churches. Buildings are an impressive announcement that Baptists are on the field to stay. At least twenty-four new missionaries are needed now in Cuba.

These are but four examples of the urgent need for expansion of Home Mission work. Similar need exists on every field. Among the French, the Italians, the Chinese. Among the deaf. In Panama. In cities and in rural areas.

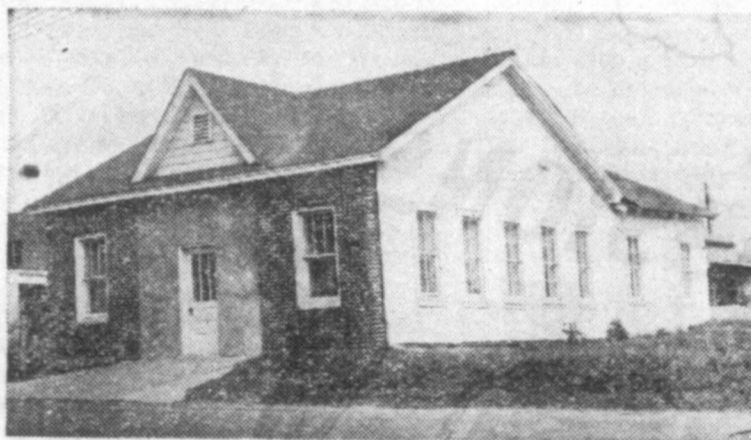
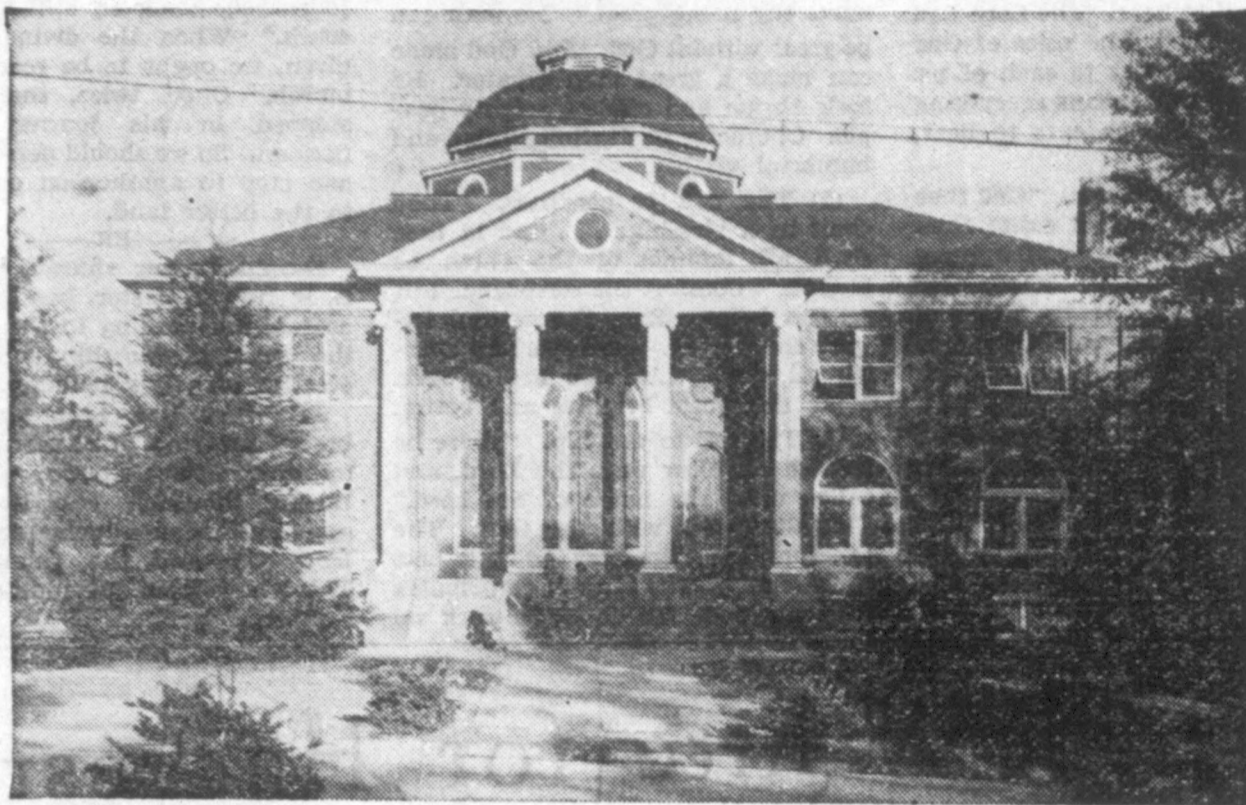
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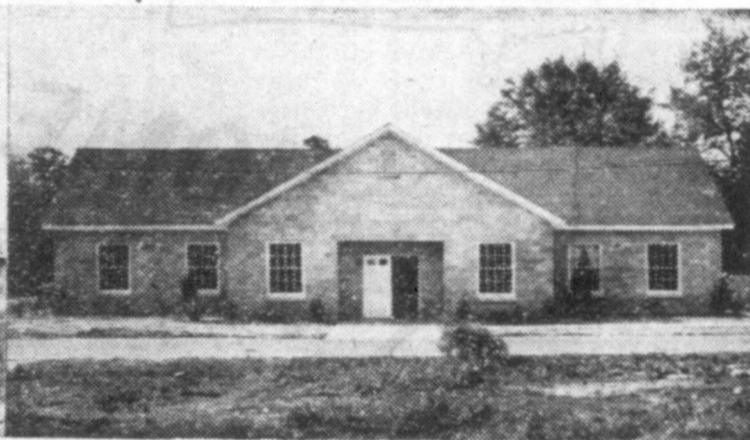
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Evangelizing the South Is Our Task

First Baptist Church, Louisville, Now Has 880 Members



Former garage building now used for Junior Department by First Baptist Church, Louisville.



Recently completed Intermediate and Young People's Department of Louisville.



REV. W. L. DAY

The First Baptist Church was organized in Louisville, Mississippi, on the third of August, 1835. This is the fourth building to be occupied during the 110 years of the church's existence. It was erected in 1916 during the pastorate of Dr. R. B. Gunter.

Succeeding the late Dr. J. N. McMillin, Rev. W. L. Day came from Pascagoula in September, 1941, to pastor this church. Under the splendid leadership of Pastor Day 485 additions have been made bringing the membership to 880. Of these, 618 are resident members, 122 non-resident and 140 in the service of our country. Frank L. Fair is chairman of the body of 23 deacons who serve this church.

During the past three years a fund shaw, J. B. Ezell, Claude Fair, Sr., B.

of \$27,609 has been accumulated for the purpose of enlarging the present church structure and adding a new educational building after the war.

It has been during Rev. Day's pastorate that the two fine Sunday school buildings have been erected.

In 1943 a garage across the street from the church was purchased and remodeled into the building for the Junior Department of the Sunday school. It has an assembly room and ten class rooms. Mrs. A. L. Catledge is superintendent of this department.

In January 1945 the new Sunday school building was completed. It is a structure of concrete blocks and built according to plans approved by the architectural secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board. There are two assembly rooms and 21 rooms. T. J. Webster was chairman of the building committee with Joe H. McCully and W. A. Taylor, Frank L. Fair and Rev. Day were ex-officio members. This building is occupied by the Intermediate and Young People's departments of which Mrs. R. B. Fulcher and L. C. Murphree, respectively, are superintendents. When the new educational building is added after the war this structure will be used for recreational purposes.

Joe H. McCully is superintendent of the Standard Sunday school of eight departments, with 694 members enrolled.

The deacons are: Frank Fair, chairman; R. T. Parker, treasurer; Eugene Robinson, clerk; R. L. Allen, L. E. Clark, W. D. Covington, W. J. Cren-

Six Adults Saved

Sunday evening, July 1, I had an appointment to present the Foundation work to the saints at the Leland Baptist Church. Pastor Quarles wrote me to get there in time to bring an evangelistic message at a branch Sunday school which the Leland church organized some two months before. Seventy-eight were present in a very small tenant house which had the partitions knocked out. After the Sunday school lesson, which was taught by Mrs. C. J. Overton of Jackson, I brought a message on "The Value of the Soul." When the invitation was given, six adults came forward on profession of faith. Four were women and most of them mothers, and two men were heads of families.

One Christian mother was so overjoyed because of her husband's decision that she really shouted. Another man came forward asking membership in the Leland church by letter.

Realizing their need for a more adequate building, there was a spontaneous response to a passing suggestion by Pastor Quarles that somebody might want to give \$100 for a building. One man raised his hand saying he would give \$100, and \$410 was pledged in less time than it took to

M. Files, Sr. J. W. Griffin, B. C. Hurt, D. D. McCool, Joe H. McCully, J. D. McGraw, C. C. McNeel, E. E. Reynolds, J. M. Robinson, W. A. Taylor, R. E. Wascomb, J. H. Watson, W. J. Webb and Tom J. Webster.

GOING PLACES

Academy Is Every Family

A recent addition to the EVERY FAMILY list of The Baptist Record is Academy church, Tippah county. Rev. E. S. Hall of New Albany is pastor and Mrs. L. W. Murry of Cotton Plant is treasurer.

Tippah county Record readers are now listed as follows: ACADEMY 43, CHALYBEATE 42, BLUE MOUNTAIN 132, Dumas 2, FALKNER 70, Fellowship 2, HARMONY 22, MT. HEBRON 18, MT. OLIVE 32, PINE GROVE 41, Pleasant Hill 6, PROVIDENCE 33, RIPLEY 79, TIPLERSVILLE 21, WALNUT 44, MACEDONIA 23, PALMER 18, Grahams' Chapel 5, SHADY GROVE 13.

BURNS

Editor Goodrich led the revival at Burns the first week in July. Rev. C. J. Hughes is pastor. There were six additions.

The people are loyal to the pastor and treated the visiting preacher like a king.

Rev. R. H. Thompson lives near the church and is helpful in all activities.

Smith county Record readers are listed as follows: BETHEL 11, Burns 1, GOODWATER 16, Homewood 9, LEAF RIVER 81, LORENA 33, MIZE 23, Oak Grove 9, Pineville 1, POLKVILLE 29, RALEIGH 69, ROCKY HILL 12, SYLVARENA 46, TAYLORSVILLE 63, White Oak 4, WILKERSON MEMORIAL 22, Sardis 3, CLEAR CREEK 16, Rose Hill 1, Sharon 1, FELLOWSHIP 29, PLEASANT HILL 21, Mt. Pleasant 5, TED 27, Clear Springs 9, MT. CARMEL 10, CONCORD 28.

INCLUDE FOUNDATION ON ASSOCIATION PROGRAM

Clerks of several district associations have notified the Executive-Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation that a place has been made on the program for making a report, and presenting its work and plans of the Foundation. Doubtless many others have done the same thing, but have not notified us.

Program committees that have not already done so, are requested to make a place on the program for this new and very important agency. One of the quickest and best ways to inform our people about the Foundation is in our associational meetings. The secretary will attend all he possibly can, and get someone well informed to speak at those he can not make.

When you have set the date and hour for this agency on your program, please notify us by writing to Mississippi Baptist Foundation, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi, so we can make definite arrangements for somebody to be at your association.

write the names down. The men all said they would work in the construction of the building.

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District President's Report

Typical of the fine work the district presidents did recently in holding conferences with the leadership of their associations is the report we give here of President A. A. Ward of the ninth district. Brother Ward has five associations in his district, and was successful in holding a conference in each of these. The associational organization was completed in all five associations and plans made for carrying the work right on in a larger and finer way. Thirteen new Training Unions to be organized was the goal at this point. All five set as their goal that all officers would study the Associational Manual by August 1. All five set a goal to nominate all officers and have them elected at the regular district associational meeting this fall. Three said they would have all scheduled meetings, four said they would seek to have at least 10% of their unions reach the standard. Three said they would seek to get all unions to bring their report each quarter to the associational meeting. Three said they would try to lead every union to have a study course this year. One set the goal for every associational officer to teach at least one study course in July or August. Four said they would have an associational social this summer (Leake has already made plans to have theirs in Carthage Friday, August 31, at 5 p. m.). All said they would review these goals weekly and keep them alive. Summing up the attendance, there were 90 present: 8 pastors; 5 associational directors; 9 church directors; 19 associational leaders; 22 church leaders; 27 who held no official position; 21 churches represented. While Brother Ward was holding these conferences nine other district presidents were busy doing the same thing in their district. We simply bring you this one as typical of all. It was a great work, and greatly appreciated by the state and associational leaders. These presidents plan another tour of their associations in November at which time goals for the following six months will be set. In writing, Bro. Ward said, "I have certainly enjoyed doing this work. It has put new enthusiasm in me for my own work. It has also had some revelations in Training Union work in the churches in this district. I look forward to November when I can visit these associations again."



A BIBLE IN THE HAND AND HEART OF EVERY PERSON is the promotional purpose of the American Bible Society. The Mississippi Baptist Convention has adopted resolutions commending the work and suggest that all Baptists in Mississippi have a financial part in the work of this great benefactor. July is the month set aside as a suggested time for this contribution. Any time is a good time, but let's do it this month. Your pastor will no doubt present it

to the church and thus give every one the opportunity of having a part. If he doesn't, then you can present it, or at least make your personal contribution. Send it in to Dr. D. A. McCall, Box 530, Jackson 105, Miss. Your church will receive credit for this as a gift to missions, and it may mean the salvation of many souls. To everyone whose contribution is \$1.00 or more is entitled to one year's subscription to the Bible Society Record, an interesting booklet that carries pictures and stories of many lands. Be sure to send name of donor if this subscription is desired.

The Men Did It

Macon Adult Union, mainly the men, were hosts to all the unions at a barbecue on June 14 at the Baptist annex. It was a delightful affair from every aspect. The men planned, prepared, served, and "executed" the entire thing. They did it superbly too! The menu consisted of barbecued pork and kid, potato salad, slaw (here a little from the women), pickle, bread, cold drinks, and to top this off, home made ice cream, four and a half gallons to be exact! In the beginning I believe the women were a bit dubious about all the proceedings and frankly said so (I did), but men don't have to talk and plan for months or weeks; they act, instead! It was beautifully done and quite a memorable occasion. We'll never doubt these men again because they "did themselves proud." There were about fifty persons present despite a downpour of rain. Jim Robbins is president of the Adult Union. The three group captains are men too: Robert Forbess, Hugh Davis, Benard Senter. This was a challenging affair. I wonder if any other union in the state has such a fine group of men?

Mrs. O. U. Jones, Vice President,
Rev. R. D. Pearson, Pastor.

The above report from the Macon church brings forth the statement, "Who said you couldn't get the men to join the B. A. U.?" Yes, the men like in, and like to share the responsibility of the entire program.

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The Pastor

The Brotherhood gives the highest consideration and respect to the pastor. He is considered the first officer of every Brotherhood. Regarding the qualifications of the president, Mr. Lawson H. Cooke, general secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South says, "He must be a man of unquestioned loyalty to his pastor and church." It is also suggested that in beginning a new organization, the pastor should take the initiative and discuss the matter fully with the deacons before any further steps are taken. "All this service (Brotherhood activity) is to be rendered in strict loyalty to the policies of the pastor and church (Organizing and Operating a Brotherhood). In the ten points that set out the aims and objectives of the Brotherhood, No. 1 is "Loyalty to our pastor."

Must Have His Approval

In no case should an organization be attempted without the approval of the pastor.

He Will Attend

The Brotherhood meetings should be held, if possible, at a time when the pastor can be present in the meetings. This would likely mean to meet at a time when no other service is in progress and when none is approaching. This will make it much easier for the pastor to be present and to give his full attention to the meeting. Too, he will not have to rush out of the meeting, as will be the case if another service follows at once. With the time for the meeting thus arranged, the pastor will certainly attend. It is a privilege he cannot afford to miss. His presence will inspire the men. He can have closer fellowship with the men as a whole in these meetings than he can in any other way. He will be in constant touch with the leaders of the work of the church; and a few well-placed words in the meeting can be of the greatest value in settling questions, giving information, guiding discussion and action, and helping make progress. He will hear reports and extend commendation. He may give special personal recognition to those who have done good work. He may speak to the timid and strangers. A pastor will certainly do well, if it is at all possible, to be in his Brotherhood every time it meets. Of course, in the case of non-resident pastors and part-time churches, he will go as often as he can.

Time and Effort Required

The pastor will meet with the officers of the Brotherhood and assist in making plans for their activities. He will not burden himself with details, but will help steer the course of the work. It will take some of his time and strength; but his investment will be of the greatest value in the assistance he will receive in return.

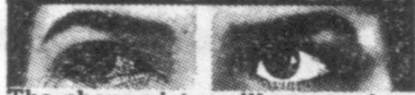
Guiding Activity

The efficient pastor has a course of work laid out for his church. Many churches have their calendars that set out varying emphases for the whole year. Too, the pastor is alert to changing needs and situations that arise in the course of the year in his field. He needs all the help he can get with the usual program of his church, like the preaching services, Sunday school, Training Union, prayer meeting, etc.; and under his tactful leadership, the Brotherhood will put its weight behind one and all of these as he and the men agree. Too, he will have special activities, like the promotion of family altars, the repair of the church building, a revival meeting, outdoor services, jail or other institutional services. By working in cooperation with the executive committee and by a few remarks in the meetings, he may secure the service of the whole Brotherhood for these special undertakings.

Need Each Other

The Brotherhood certainly needs the pastor; and he certainly needs the cooperation and loyalty of the men.

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We are enclosing one of our "Ridgecrest at Home" programs. We couldn't begin to describe all that last week-end meant to us, but here goes—

"We're on the Ridgecrest Trail," our Y. W. A. girls sang as they rode southward, and everyone knows that North Carolina is in a northeasterly direction from Mississippi. We found Ridgecrest, too, at Natchez Trace Park, near Houlika, Mississippi, on June 15 and 16. Perhaps its mountains were hills, its sunrises the usual Mississippi sunrises, and its multitude a group of ten worshippers, but not an ounce of the atmosphere, the inspiration, the challenge of Ridgecrest was missing.

Warm brilliance of an outdoor fire on a semi-moonlit night, beyond the etchings of tall trees, and far below the faint sheen of the lake, the free feeling of swinging your feet from the tall porch of the cabin, the view of profiles of young faces all about you, and the sweet harmony of soft voices singing hymns carried your heart to the very presence of God. Then the clear, attention-demanding words of our pastor, Winfred Moore, brought tears of humility to our eyes because he said we had done good and we knew there have been many, many cries for missions which we have failed to hear.

A sun-floored morning sent us to the small pier on the lake below our cabin for morning watch, a chalk talk by one of the girls. We then sought

a secluded spot for study of the book, "This World's Goods," led by our counselor, Mrs. Winfred Moore. And there a great idea was presented by Brother Moore—an urge to stop concentrating on taking evil out of our lives to be absorbed in putting good therein.

Selfishly, we wouldn't have exchanged our pastor for any two-ocean speaker. His daily missions are constant inspiration to us.

We gained something greater than the mosquito bites and physical relaxation of a camping trip, a strengthened faith in the eternal things and the will to succeed. You may be interested to know that our Ridgecrest offering amounted to thirteen dollars.

It is our hope that other Y. W. A's observed "Ridgecrest at Home"—it was a wonderful idea that went across with a bang.

Sending greetings from all of the girls, we are

The Marie Anderson Y. W. A.,
Harrisburg, Tupelo.
—BR—

Chungking—(RNS)—A gloomy picture of student life in Kweichow province—of students living for days on end with nothing but rice to eat, without electricity or oil for lamps by which to study, without bedding or clothes, without money to pay even for haircuts and laundry—was brought back here by Yu Pei-wen, an executive of the National Student Relief Committee, who has recently inspected the universities of that province.

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May 20, 1945

Dr. D. A. McCall
Exec. Secretary-Treasurer
Mississippi Baptist Convention Board
Jackson, Mississippi

My dear Dr. McCall:

For your information, please find enclosed compiled copy of the Seminary's activities for November 11, 1944, through May 1, 1945.

I trust this will be of interest to you. There is also a copy of the schedule for the summer schedule activities with budget to maintain the same. I am earnestly appealing to you for a grant to cover the salary of the two women workers.

I am sincerely praying that you may find it possible to give me your favorable reaction. With profound gratitude.

Yours for His cause,

HERBERT L. LANG,
President.

JUNE THROUGH AUGUST 1945 MISSISSIPPI UNION THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE SCHEDULE

MONTH	PLACE
June 5-15—Laurel, Mississippi.	
June 26-July 5—Prentiss, Mississippi.	
July 6—Commencement.	
July 10-13—Sardis to Indianola, Mississippi.	
July 16-20—Tylertown, Mississippi.	
July 24-27—Magnolia, Mississippi.	
July 31-August 3—Holly Springs, Mississippi.	
August 6-10—Sumrall, Mississippi.	
August 14-17—Tupelo, Mississippi.	
August 21-24—Grenada, Mississippi.	
Teacher—Rev. Earl Wesley Lawson.	
Teacher—Mrs. S. J. Dedeaux.	
Teacher's Assistant—Mrs. Naomi L. Grooms.	
COMPILED ACTIVITIES OF SEMINARY NOV. 1, 1944-APRIL 30, 1945	
Extension classes meeting four days consecutively each month of school year.	
1. Extension classes Prentiss students	1945 Institutes conducted
2. Laurel	Students registered
3. Hattiesburg	1. Lexington
4. Sumrall	2. New Albany
5. Monticello	3. West Point
6. Brookhaven	4. Tylertown
7. Magnolia	5. Gulfport
8. Woodville	6. Greenville
9. Indianola	7. Winona
10. Jackson	(Mass students in classes, 673)
11. Sardis	
Total enrollment	Total
Total cash received from students'	Offering from churches
enrollment fees	Offering from Mississippi State
	Convention

FACULTY
Faculty members Colored—Dr. A. B. Menelik, full-time; Prof. O. H. Dixon, part-time; Prof. M. W. Wilson, part-time; Prof. J. G. McQueen, part-time.
Part-time student teachers—Rev. G. C. Wells, Rev. W. D. Ridgway, Rev. E. D. Barnes, Rev. F. D. Booth, Rev. M. L. Gray.
Part-time teachers, white—Dr. W. L. Sewell, Prentiss; Dr. Glenn Smith, Prentiss; Dr. D. O. Horne, Prentiss; Dr. B. Frank Smith, Magnolia; Dr. O. P. Moore, Indianola; Dr. G. Norman Price, Indianola; Rev. J. B. Middleton, Sardis; Dr. T. D. Brown, Hattiesburg; Dr. Sumrall, Hattiesburg; Dr. John Barnes, Hattiesburg; Dr. I. E. Rouse, Hattiesburg; Dr. R. C. Woodham, Hattiesburg.
Basis of paying teachers, \$3.00 per day.
Allow for travel at rate of 4c per mile.
Ten institutes planned for summer, June, 1945-August, 1945, eight for one week each and two for two weeks each.
Approximately \$300.00 on hand as of last bank statement.
There are \$720 in the bank allocated to building fund.
The \$1,000 appropriated by your Convention Board is being handled through the office of Dr. McCall as was suggested and agreed upon.

PRESIDENT'S SALARY
\$400 has been applied to president's salary of \$2,500 for the year, \$250.00 by Dr. McCall drawn from the \$1,000 of your Board, \$75.00 by Dr. McCall grant for service in three institutes and \$75.00 received by myself as special offering from two institutes to the president which I credited to salary. This leaves due on president's salary \$2,100. Please be advised that this is the last month of 1944-1945 session. The last class for the session closed Friday, June 1st. The summer program began Tuesday, June 5th.—Yours in His service, Herbert L. Lang, President.

We present this rather detailed report of this Seminary work among the Negro leaders of our state, because as noted in the report Mississippi Baptists are giving State Mission support to this work. Many of our people are greatly interested. The Negro leaders are responsible. God is greatly blessing this effort. The work needs a much greater support as indicated.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING
UNION ATTENDANCE
July 8, 1945

	SS	BTC
Centreville	129	12
Brookhaven, First	426	89
Taylorville	142	132
East McComb	306	94
Summit, First	130	
Hardy	81	18
Spring Hill, Simpson county	49	
Wallerville	77	57
Harrisburg, Tupelo	200	69
Crystal Springs	421	120
Houlka, Chickasaw	73	58
West Point, First	327	93
Liberty	186	33
Vicksburg, First	463	107
New Albany, First	429	159
Daniel	142	62
Jackson, First	885	201
Jackson, Calvary	896	247
Jackson, Parkway	396	138
Pearlhaven	105	
New Prospect, Lafayette county	104	
Crowder	154	112

July 1, 1945

Liberty	160	
Poplar Flat, Winston county	66	
New Augusta, Perry county	83	20
Duck Hill	105	32
West Point	321	90
Dixie, Lebanon Association	83	91
Carmel, Lawrence county	135	135
Winona, First	236	64
Jackson, Parkway	424	
Jackson, Calvary	861	236
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	232	
Friendship, Pike county	157	125
Spring Hill, Simpson county	43	
New Prospect, Lafayette county	97	
Agricola	97	57
Ellison Ridge, Winston county	160	116
Wallerville	63	46
Houlka, Chickasaw county	58	42
Glenfield, Union county	82	42
Louisville	401	77
Cross Roads, Webster county	61	
Rocky Creek, George county	86	43
Hardy	85	20
New Albany, First	438	177
Ackerman	122	45
Centreville	126	23
Brookhaven, First	449	79
Crystal Springs	406	111
East McComb	284	89
Pearlhaven, Lincoln county	117	51
Laurel, First	462	
Daniel	156	66
Vicksburg, First	439	95
Jackson, First	864	205

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Rev. James E. Bailey, Jr., has resigned his field of churches in Tate county to accept the pastorate of Chalybeate and Providence churches in Tippah county.

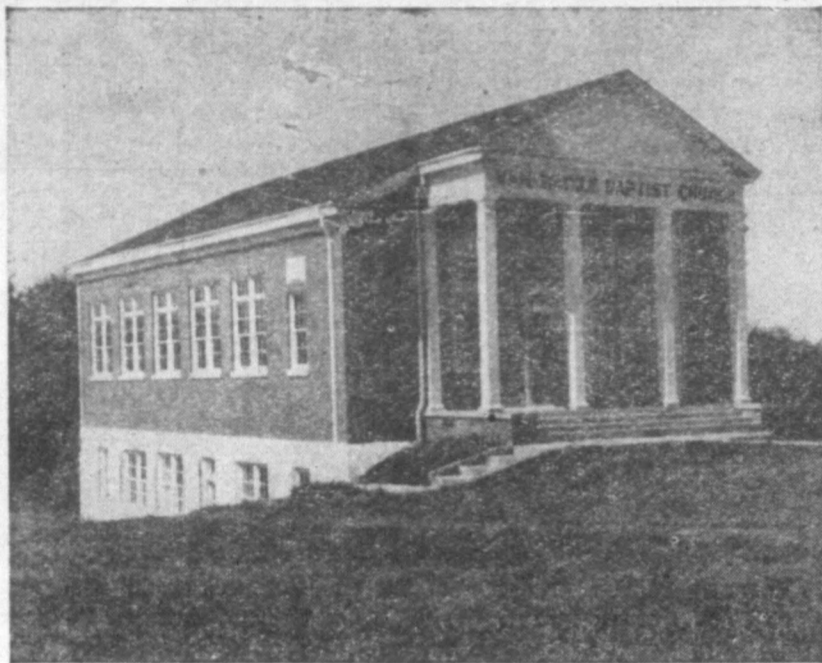
L. C. Flowers has sent a check for \$25 and 25 names asking that The Baptist Record be sent to those members of Pioneer church, Wilkinson county.

Dr. B. B. Hilbun, pastor, writes that the building fund of Second Avenue church, Laurel, now totals \$21,645 and that W. A. Harrell of the architectural department of the Sunday School Board is to come August first to advise concerning a new building.

Blue Mountain, Miss., July 5—Miss Alice Davis, Meridian, who was graduated from Blue Mountain College in the spring, is now managing editor of the Window of Y. W. A., and World Comrades, southwide publications of the Woman's Missionary Union. Her office is in Birmingham, Alabama, with Miss Juliett Mather. Another spring graduate of Blue Mountain, Miss Helen Gay Moody, Laurel, is Miss Mather's secretary.

Dr. B. B. Hilbun, pastor, Second Avenue church, Laurel, will assist Pastor W. E. Hardy in a revival at Lexie the week of July 15.

VAN WINKLE CHURCH IS DEBT FREE



VAN WINKLE CHURCH

Van Winkle church, Jackson, was dedicated debt-free on May 20. This was also the seventh anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. R. S. Crawford. Children from the Baptist Orphanage brought the special music, and the dedicatory sermon, "God Speaks Today," was preached by the pastor.

Below we give a part of the church history written by Miss Catherine McCarter:

Van Winkle Baptist Church with 54 charter members, was organized in the spring of 1938 under the leadership of Rev. E. J. Blackford and Rev. Charles L. McKay, then students at the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans. They told the folks that they had access to a tent and would like to hold a revival meeting in the community. Lloyd Langston offered the use of a lot behind his store in Pine Acres, and Dr. W. E. Green, now president of Clarke Memorial College in Newton, Miss., offered the use of his tent for the revival meeting.

Of the original 54 charter members of the church, 42 are still affiliated with Van Winkle.

George Emmett offered the use of his home as a meeting place until a building could be erected, and the church very gratefully accepted it. Various names were suggested for the new church, and Mr. George Emmett offered \$10 on the building fund to be credited to the person suggesting the name chosen. E. H. Stewart suggested the name "Van Winkle Baptist Church" which was selected.

On the first Sunday after the church was organized, the Sunday school and Training Union were organized. On the following Thursday, May 19, Miss Fannie Traylor, then Executive Secretary of the state W. M. U., assisted in the organization of the W. M. U.

Rev. E. J. Blackford was called as the first pastor of the new church on a half-time basis. On January 1, 1939, the church went to full-time work.

Immediately upon the organization of the church, a building program was inaugurated, with P. B. Hegwood serving as treasurer. The lot the church stands on was given to it by Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Coleman.

On August 28, 1933, three and a half months from the first meeting of the church, the congregation moved into the basement.

In the summer of 1940 Rev. R. S.



REV. ROBERT S. CRAWFORD

Crawford came to Van Winkle to conduct a singing school and was invited to return in the fall of that year to work with the church while attending Mississippi College. In November, 1940, Rev. Blackford resigned to accept the pastorate at Fernwood, and still later went into the army as a chaplain. He is now serving in the Pacific theatre of war.

Rev. Chas. L. McKay, one of the founders of the Van Winkle Baptist Church, was called as pastor to succeed Rev. Blackford.

On August 24, 1941, three years after the completion of the basement, the church auditorium was finished. Griffith Memorial church furnished the money for the pulpit furniture. The First Baptist Church gave the seats in the auditorium, and Calvary Baptist Church donated the Broadman Hymnals.

In October of 1942 Dr. McKay resigned to accept the pastorate of the Flora Baptist Church. He is now pastor of the Temple Baptist Church in Ruston, Louisiana.

Rev. R. S. Crawford became the next pastor of this church. It was his peculiar privilege to work with both former pastors and then become pastor of Van Winkle.

It is interesting to know that Van Winkle church has licensed and ordained several young men to the ministry. They are: James Ray Coleman, the first to be licensed to preach; R. S. Crawford, Charles Skutt

Pierce Leads Grenada Revival

A. B. Pierce

The latter part of June it was my privilege to do the preaching in a series of services at the First Baptist Church, Grenada, Mississippi. Rev. Stanley Armstrong of Gatlinburg, Tennessee, was in charge of the music. He has a splendid solo voice and really knows how to conduct the music in a meeting. Attendance grew from the first night and the response was good in every way. Fifty-five were received into the membership of the church by baptism and by letter. Two others professed faith in Christ, but desired to unite with other churches. One young man rededicated his life and pledged a greater loyalty to Christ.

Rev. Glen Wiley has been pastor of this church nearly eight years. During this time there has been a marvelous growth in all phases of the church life. There has been a gain of about 400 in the church membership, and the offerings have increased more than 200 percent. Many of the members expressed to me that the church is in the best condition it has been in at all. There is a fine spirit of co-operation and unity and the pastor and people are happy in their work.

It was a joy indeed for me to work with this great church and pastor, and it was a joy to me that the Lord gave us a real spiritual revival that will continue to bear fruit in months and years to come.

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Second Avenue, Laurel: Our Vacation Bible school was certainly one of the best it has been our privilege to have any part in. The enrollment was 240. The average attendance was above 180. I had the finest faculty to assist me any pastor could have had. The departments were superintended by the following persons: Mrs. W. R. Cupp, Intermediate; Mrs. Bond Smith, Junior; Mrs. B. B. Hilbun, Primary; Miss Jesse J. Bush and Mrs. G. R. Sykes, Beginner.

and Earl George, Jr.

The membership has grown from 54 to a total of 354 in May 1945. Five hundred people have been members of Van Winkle during these first seven years of its existence.

Along with the seventh anniversary service on May 20, 1945, a special dedication service was held, at which the notes on the building were burned. In his dedicatory sermon, Bro. Crawford paid tribute to the two former pastors of the church. He described Bro. E. J. Blackford, the first pastor, as a "builder" and a "booster." The second pastor, Dr. Charles L. McKay, he characterized with the words "preacher" and "personality." As a two-word characterization of Bro. Crawford, every member of the church will agree on "pastor" and "prayer."

With such Christian leaders as its first three pastors, with such an eventful seven-year history, and looking to the future with faith, surely the Van Winkle Baptist Church will go forward WITH CHRIST FOR CHRIST.

Canton Church Closes VBS

The Vacation Bible school of the First church, Canton, closed Wednesday evening, June 13, with the commencement exercise. The program by the different departments of the school centered around the theme, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of heaven." A playlet, "Let the Little Ones Come," given by the Primary and Junior departments, further emphasized the theme, and presented Christ to the children in a more intimate way.

The faculty included: Principal, Miss Maxie King; pianist, Mrs. Floyd Johnson; character stories, Mrs. C. Z. Holland; devotional talks, Rev. C. Z. Holland; Junior department, Miss Nell Thompson, superintendent; Miss Ramona Thames and Miss Geraldine Crosby, assistants; Primary department, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, superintendent; Miss Mary Jayne Stamps and Miss Peggy Jean Stokes, assistants; Beginner department, Mrs. Robert McDonald, superintendent; Mrs. R. M. Norman and Miss Onie Mae Upton, assistants.

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It is easier to get a man out of the slums than to get the slums out of the man.

"If I Marry a Roman Catholic" is the title of a little booklet which has just been published by the Commission on Marriage and the Home at 297 Fourth avenue, New York 10, N. Y., to sell for five cents. In the little booklet, the results of a survey made in Maryland indicate where both parents were evangelicals 6.8 per cent of the homes were broken. Where both were Catholic 6.4 per cent were broken. Of mixed marriages 15.2 per cent were broken. Childless marriages were excluded in the study. It is well to remember when a Catholic marries a person the marriage is not considered valid unless the ceremony is performed by a priest. A priest will not carry a Catholic to a non-Catholic unless he or she sign a contract that any children will be educated in Catholic doctrine. Since there is so much moving about today and so many hasty marriages, it is well that a Baptist boy or girl understand just what he or she faces if married to a Catholic. They might be perfectly happy but they ought to know that the odds are against them.

St. Paul, Minn.—(RNS)—A protest against the Office of Defense Transportation policy which "permits horse racing that attracts thousands, burdening the transportation system and yet restricts church conferences" was adopted by the St. Paul Presbytery at a meeting here.

Rev. George H. Moseley has resigned the pastorate of the Bridgedale church, New Orleans, to become associate pastor of the First church, El Dorado, Ark.

We can never have a better world until we have better men.

Progress at the expense of truth is not worth what it costs.

Sunday, July 1, 1945, Flora Baptist Church had a very unusual and impressive service. Bro. O. B. Beverly baptized his son, Wendell Beverly. This in itself was an inspiration to all present. At the close of the service, however, four young ladies joined the church on profession of faith. The Spirit of God was truly present in this service, and all present felt a heart warming joy that shall not be forgotten.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 1ST CHURCH CANTON



The cast of the playlet, "Let the Little Ones Come," presented at the close of the Vacation Bible School, First church, Canton, included: Front row: Brooks West, Dolly Mae Johnson, James Holland, Billy Montgomery. Center, seated: Mary Ann Holland, Mary Jayne Stamps, Marion Thames. Back row: Bobby West, Alvin Goza, Kathryn Roberts, Jean Sandidge, Helen Jones, Betty DeJong, Lidia Ann Gober, Clyde Edwards, and Barnett Jones (not pictured).

Second Avenue, Laurel: Dr. Norman W. Cox, pastor of First Baptist Church, Meridian, and president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, was with us June 10-19 for a series of evangelistic services. He was a benediction to us throughout his sojourn with us. His messages were superb. They strengthened our people. Not only was his pulpit ministry effective but his ministry in home and street was most helpful. Surely Dr. Cox was God's man for our meeting and God used him most effectively in Laurel. A splendid ingathering gave us added cause for rejoicing.

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An Emphasis On Essentials

Dr. W. O. Carver in a recent article points out that the Southern Baptist Convention was organized primarily for missions.

He cites that the Convention set up its work originally with only two boards, both assigned to missions; that its purpose was to organize a plan "for eliciting, combining and directing the energies of the whole denomination in one sacred effort for the propagation of the gospel"; and that membership was limited to Baptists with interest in its missionary work expressed in financial support.

This forceful emphasis on the fundamental purpose of their organization is needed today. First of all, it is demanded by history. The whole genius of the Baptist denomination in the South is revealed by this singleness of purpose. The simple fact, clear on every page of their history, is that Baptists banded themselves together to preach to the "heathen" at home and abroad. Whoever attempts to record their history without this fact either reveals his ignorance or else does violence to the pronounced spirit of our forefathers.

Second, Dr. Carver's emphasis on the primacy of missions is needed in the interest of the continued existence of the people called Baptists. A Christian denomination which forgets its first love in an enthusiasm for by-products cannot long survive. Missions must always be their mission. They have no other reason for being.

Dr. Carver's point is well made, in the third place, because the ideal is not yet arrived at, for Southern Baptists have ever been in a state of becoming what they should be in their emphasis upon essentials. They have never given more than ten cents of a dollar of their total

Wins A Pilot At 2500 Feet To Pay Tax

By M. E. Dodd

For years I have from time to time engaged individual airplanes for emergency trips.

Recently it was necessary to have plane service in order to meet some special engagements. The usual pilot was first engaged, but for no special human reason at all I changed over and engaged a plane from another firm and a pilot whom I had never met was assigned to this flight.

With a good tailwind, we were carried the 225 miles to my speaking engagement in only a little more than an hour. During the flight, I was busily preparing my address and had little time for conversation with the pilot. We took off on the return trip, and when we leveled off at an elevation of some twenty-five hundred or three thousand feet I felt led of the Spirit to mention the matter of salvation to the pilot.

I looked him straight in the face and asked directly, without any introductory remarks, "Are you a Christian?" A strange expression came into his eyes, "I have been afraid all day you were going to ask me that question," he said.

I apologized for not having mentioned it sooner, explaining that on the way up I was busy with my address. "I am the one who has put it off too long," he returned at once. "I do want to be a Christian."

I took out my New Testament and there in the air with nobody but him and me and the Lord, I led him to Christ.

I have led people to Christ in various places, but this was the first time I had ever led a man to Christ in an airplane. This made it one of my most thrilling experiences.

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Nothing is quite so disgusting as to hear a man make a pious excuse for doing something that is not pious.

gifts to the work of their two mission boards. They are now devoting less than five per cent to the total gifts to the work for which the Convention was primarily founded.—Joe W. Burton.

Chaplain Pate Commended

Major Charles O. Pate, chaplain, is now serving overseas with the 37th General Hospital, an important part of the Peninsula Base Section, service and supply organization for the 5th army and for ground forces of the air corps and navy, in the Mediterranean theater of operations. The chaplain is the husband of Mrs. Charles O. Pate of Senatobia, Miss., and the son of Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Pate, deceased, formerly of Water Valley, Miss.

During World War I he served for 19 months with the AEF, and saw action in France. He was mustered into active duty in this war in 1941, with the 31st Division at Camp Blanding, Florida, as chaplain of the 106th Quartermaster Regiment. He has also served as Regimental Chaplain for the 37th Combat Engineer Regiment, the 591st Engineer Boat Regiment, and brigade chaplain of the First Engineer Amphibian Brigade on the invasion of Africa. He was then assigned as senior chaplain of the Eastern Base Section, and served in this capacity until it completed its mission in North Africa, 16½ months later, when he assumed his present assignment and is now in Mantova, Italy.

Chaplain Pate received a personal commendation for his work in organizing the Eastern Base Section in such a short time, and is the holder of the Mediterranean Theater Ribbon with four battle stars. He has two sons-in-law, one, Harry E. Jones, a pharmacist's mate 2c in the U. S. Navy until recently when he received a medical discharge, and the other, Captain W. G. Hardin, commanding officer of the 301st Signal Operations Battalion, with General Patton's third army in Germany.

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To Help Patch Up The Damage I Caused

Back in 1919 a Baptist woman made her pledge to the Southern Baptist Seventy-Five Million Campaign, a great forward program launched to promote missionary, educational and benevolent causes. But like thousands of others, she found her purse crippled by the depression and was unable to meet her pledge. The inability of these thousands to pay threw Southern Baptist agencies some \$6,500,000 into debt with the various state boards suffering as much or more. Through special state campaigns, Southern Baptists and many of the states became "Debt-Free in Forty-Three."

This particular Arkansas woman, however, was unable to forget her pledge and the moral obligation it carried. Last month she sent a check for \$120 to B. L. Bridges at Baptist headquarters in Little Rock, saying: "This completes the payment of my pledge." She has written a second letter, enclosing a check for \$180. She said: "It has been 25 years since I fell down on my pledge. That would make interest on the \$120, at 6 per cent, be \$180. That gives a glimpse of what we who fell down on our pledges cost our state and southern conventions, doesn't it? I am sorry. Here is my check to help patch up the damage I caused!"—C. E. Bryant.

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If Baptists do not believe something that no other group believes, there is no reason for a separate denominational existence.